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BOROUGH OF STALYBRIDGE

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

(December, 1965)

Chairman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Alderman J. Porter, J.P.
Deputy Chairman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Councillor K.F. Rae
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MISS J.W. GREENWOOD
P.R. RADCLIFFE

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you my Annual Report on the health of the town for the year 1965. The report takes its usual form and contains a section on the work of the Public Health Inspectors and Cleansing Department and also a section on those services administered by the County Council in this area.

Statistically the year compared unfavourably with 1964. There were fewer births, 322 against 360, and more deaths 300 against 294. The infant death rate, however, was lower this year, 5 in 1965, 8 in 1964 and there was a diminished incidence of the infectious diseases.

In September we were suddenly precipitated into a mass poliomyelitis immunisation effort which is recorded in the report on the work of the Divisional Health Committee. I would like here to express my appreciation and thanks to all members of the Public Health staff, including the Public Health Inspectors, for their invaluable help at a time when team work was essential in dealing with the crisis. Once again I would like to remind the public of the need to have their children immunized in infancy. Facilities exist for this at their own general practitioners surgeries or, at the clinic centres and effective protection in childhood would certainly prevent panic when an epidemic occurs here or when there is a national scare.

During the year the Chairman and Members of the Committee have given invaluable help and advice and I would like to thank them along with the members of the Staff for their loyal support.

Yours obediently,

T. HOLME

Medical Officer of Health

August, 1966.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BOROUGH.

Area (in acres)	3,190
Population Census, 1961	21,947
Population mid-year 1964 (estimated)... ..	21,600
Estimated value of a Penny Rate	2,510
Rateable Value 1st April, 1965... ..	£633,314
No. of houses in Borough (approx.)	8,200
No. of business premises... ..	810

LIVE BIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	152	147	299)	322
Illegitimate	14	9	23)	
Live Birth rate per 1,000 population				
crude		-	14.91	
corrected		-	16.55	
Illegitimate Live Births per cent				
of total Live Births			7.69	

	Male	Female	Total
TOTAL LIVE AND STILLBIRTHS	173	161	334

STILLBIRTHS

	Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	6	5	11)	12
Illegitimate	1	-	1)	
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 live and				
stillbirths		-	35.93	

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

	Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	3	2	5)	5
Illegitimate... ..	-	-	-)	
Death rate of infants per 1,000 livebirths			15.53	
Death rate of infants per 1,000 livebirths				
legitimate			15.53	
illegitimate			-	

NEO NATAL DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	3	2	4)	4
Illegitimate... ..	-	-	-)	
Neo natal death rate			12.42	

EARLY NEO NATAL DEATH RATE (UNDER 1 WEEK)

	Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	3	1	4)	4
Illegitimate... ..	-	-	-)	
Early neo natal death rate			12.42	

PERI NATAL DEATH RATE

	Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	9	6	15)	16
Illegitimate	1	-	1)	
Peri natal death rate			47.91	

DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total
All causes	159	143	300
Death rate per 1,000 population			
crude		-	13.88
corrected		-	14.71

MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE

	Total
Maternal deaths	0
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000	
livebirths	- 0.00

PHYSICAL FEATURES OF THE DISTRICT

The Borough of Stalybridge is roughly triangular in shape, bordered on the south side by the Municipal Borough of Dukinfield and on the north west by the Municipal Borough of Ashton-under-Lyne and on the north and east by Mossley and Mottram respectively.

The River Tame, which at this point is the boundary of Lancashire and Cheshire, divides the town; the northern half lies in Lancashire, whilst the southern half lies in Cheshire. For administrative purposes the Borough is considered to be in Cheshire.

The Borough, surrounded by hills on all sides except the west is situate on the westerly slopes of the Pennine Chain, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of Manchester and, although the main portion of the town is built round the River Tame at approximately 400 feet above sea level, the ground on the eastern side rises to a height of 1,000 feet.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS

I am indebted to Miss M.D. Longden of the Ministry of Labour for the figures relating to industry in the town. From them it will be seen that textiles continue to employ the bulk of the people working in the town, the next in order of importance being engineering and electrical goods.

The comparative average of unemployed fell from 183 in 1964 to 133 in 1965 (97 men and 36 women), the highest figure of 159 being reached in January. The figures include 44 disabled persons of whom 35 are men - a slight increase on the 1965 figures. The numbers engaged in the various trades are as follows :-

Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Quarrying	26
Food, Drink and Tobacco	54
Engineering and Electrical Goods	1392
Metal Goods not elsewhere specified	920
Textiles	2707
Clothing and Footwear... ..	560
Timber, Furniture, etc.	112
Paper, Printing and Publishing	434
Other Manufacturing Industries, Chemicals and Allied Industries, Vehicles, Leather, Leather Goods	827
Total All Manufacturing Industries	7006
Construction	391
Gas, Water and Electricity	956
Transport and Communication... ..	559
Distributive Trades	732
Insurance, Banking and Finance	58
Professional and Scientific Services	326
Miscellaneous Services	281
Public Administration... ..	329
Grand Total	10664

The most recent figures available are taken from the 1961 Census which shows a population distribution as follows in the extract below:-

Acreage, Population, Private Households and Dwellings

Area	Acreage	Population				
		1951 Persons	1961			Persons per acre
			Persons	Males	Females	
Stalybridge M.B. Wards:	3,190	22,541	21,947	10,452	11,495	6.9
Dukinfield	163	4,441	2,853	1,337	1,516	17.5
Lancashire	581	5,443	5,982	2,880	3,102	10.3
Millbrook	1,220	4,293	4,155	2,048	2,107	3.4
Stayley	1,226	8,364	8,957	4,187	4,770	7.3

	Private households and dwellings, 1961					
	Private house- holds	Popula- tion in private house- holds	Struc- turally separate dwellings occupied	Rooms occupied	Density of occupation	
					Persons per room	Percent- age of persons at more than 1½ per room
Stalybridge M.B.	7,745	21,860	7,724	33,330	0.67	4.5
Wards:						
Dukinfield	1,131	2,853	1,130	4,608	0.63	3.5
Lancashire	2,064	5,947	2,053	6,991	0.67	4.3
Millbrook	1,289	4,155	1,282	5,844	0.72	4.4
Stayley	3,261	8,905	3,259	13,887	0.65	4.9

BIRTH RATE

There was a decrease in the births in the Borough in 1965 when 322 were recorded. This figure is made up of 166 males and 156 females, and gives a corrected livebirth rate of 16.55 per thousand population. The number of illegitimate births decreased from 30 to 20 representing 9.6% of all births. This rate has for many years varied between 4% and 5% but the last four years have shown a gradual increase :-

Illegitimacy rates as percentage of total births

Year	%
1960	3.7
1961	5.2
1962	6.02
1963	6.46
1964	8.33
1965	7.69

DEATH RATE

The number of deaths in the Borough increased by 6 to 300. Of these 157 were males and 143 were females giving a crude death rate of 13.88 per thousand population.

The corrected death rate for Stalybridge, that is the death rate adjusted for the particular variations in age and sex distribution in Stalybridge compared with the country as a whole, was 14.71. Once again the commonest cause of death was heart disease which claimed 102 victims against 98 in 1964. Coronary disease accounted for 70 of these deaths, a slight increase on the year before when there were 58. Chest conditions resulted in the deaths of 63 people (41 male and 22 female) included in which figure are 18 deaths from cancer of the lung and 31 deaths from bronchitis, 13 pneumonia and 1 from tuberculosis.

The number of suicides increased from 2 in 1964 to 9 during the year under review. 7 were male and 2 female.

INFANT MORTAILITY RATE

There were 5 infant deaths during the year compared with 8 in 1964. This represents a rate of 15.53 (22.22 in 1964). Swings of this nature are likely when dealing with small numbers but I would call your attention to Table VI which shows the downward trend since 1900.

STILLBIRTHS

There were 12 stillbirths notified in 1965 giving a rate of 35.93 per thousand related births (21.74 in 1964).

NEO-NATAL DEATH RATE

The neo-natal death rate, which represents the number of deaths of infants under 4 weeks of age per thousand livebirths, was 12.42 compared with 11.11 in 1964.

PERI-NATAL DEATH RATE

This rate is based on the mortality in the period surrounding the birth and includes both neo-natal deaths and stillbirths. It increased this year from 32.61 to 47.91 mainly as a result of the increased number of stillbirths.

MATERNAL MORTALITY

There were no maternal deaths during the year.

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CAUSES OF DEATH

Shown as percentage of total deaths

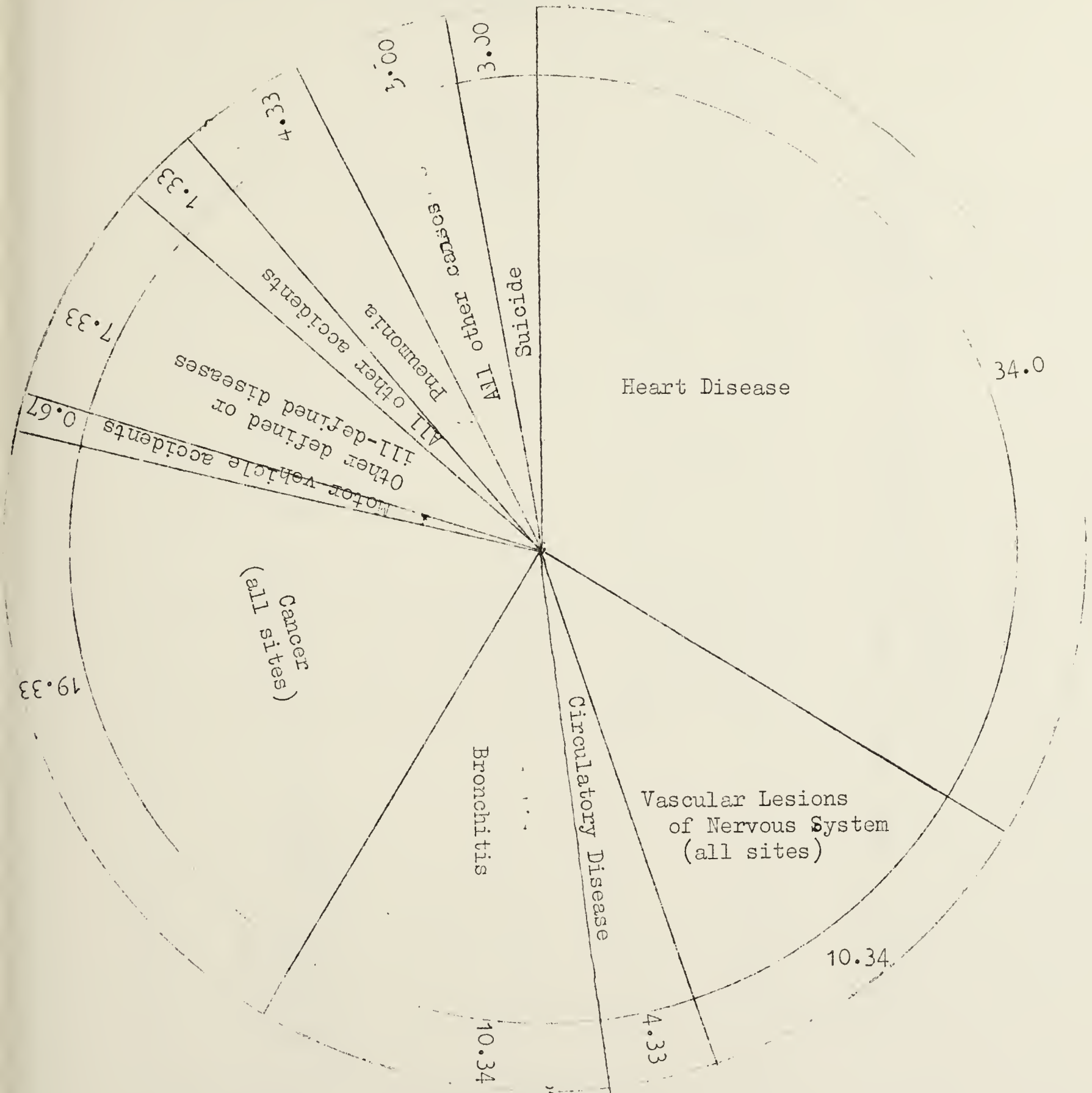


TABLE I

BIRTH RATE, DEATH RATE AND ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1965

	Rate per 1000 Total Population	Rate per 1000 Live & Stillbirths	Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 Related Births
	Livebirths	Deaths all causes	All causes (under one year)
England and Wales.... (provisional figures)	18.0	11.5	19.0
Stalybridge.....	16.55	14.71	15.53

TABLE IIDEATH RATESIN STALYBRIDGE AND ENGLAND & WALESFROM 1950

Year	Death Rates	
	England and Wales	Stalybridge
1950	11.6	13.58
1951	12.5	15.83
1952	11.3	14.73
1953	11.4	13.016
1954	11.3	12.68
1955	11.7	14.32
1956	11.7	14.87
1957	11.5	14.295
1958	11.7	14.48
1959	11.6	13.93
1960	11.5	14.19
1961	12.0	16.304
1962	11.9	16.15
1963	12.2	15.09
1964	11.3	14.52
1965	11.5	14.71

TABLE III

REGISTRAR GENERAL'S RETURN 1965

CAUSES OF DEATH IN VARIOUS AGE GROUPS

Cause of Death	Under 4 weeks & 4 weeks & under 1 yr.	1 - 4 yrs.	5 - 14 yrs.	15 - 24 yrs.	25 - 34 yrs.	35 - 44 yrs.	45 - 54 yrs.	55 - 64 yrs.	65 - 74 yrs.	75 & over	Total all ages	
											M	F
Tuberculosis, respiratory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Tuberculosis, other	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, stomach	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	1	4	4
Malignant Neoplasm, lung & bronchus	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	9	2	1	17	1
Malignant Neoplasm, breast	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	2
Malignant Neoplasm, uterus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, other sites	-	-	-	1	-	1	5	10	6	6	12	17
Vascular lesions of nervous system	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	7	14	9	11	20
Coronary Disease, angina	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	17	21	27	39	31
Hypertension with heart disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	1	3
Other heart disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	6	18	12	16
Other circulatory disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	4	9
Pneumonia	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	8	5	8
Bronchitis	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	9	15	19	12
Other diseases of respiratory system	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	3	1
Ulcer of stomach & duodenum	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	4	-
Gastritis, enteritis & diarrhoeas	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	2
Hyperplasia of prostate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Congenital malformations	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	1
Other defines & ill-defined diseases	4	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	5	9	12	10
Motor vehicle accidents	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Any other accidents	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	2	2
Suicide	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	3	1	2	7	2
	4	1	-	3	2	10	21	63	83	111	157	143

TABLE IV
BIRTH, DEATH AND INFANTILE MORTALITY
RATES IN THE BOROUGH FROM 1900

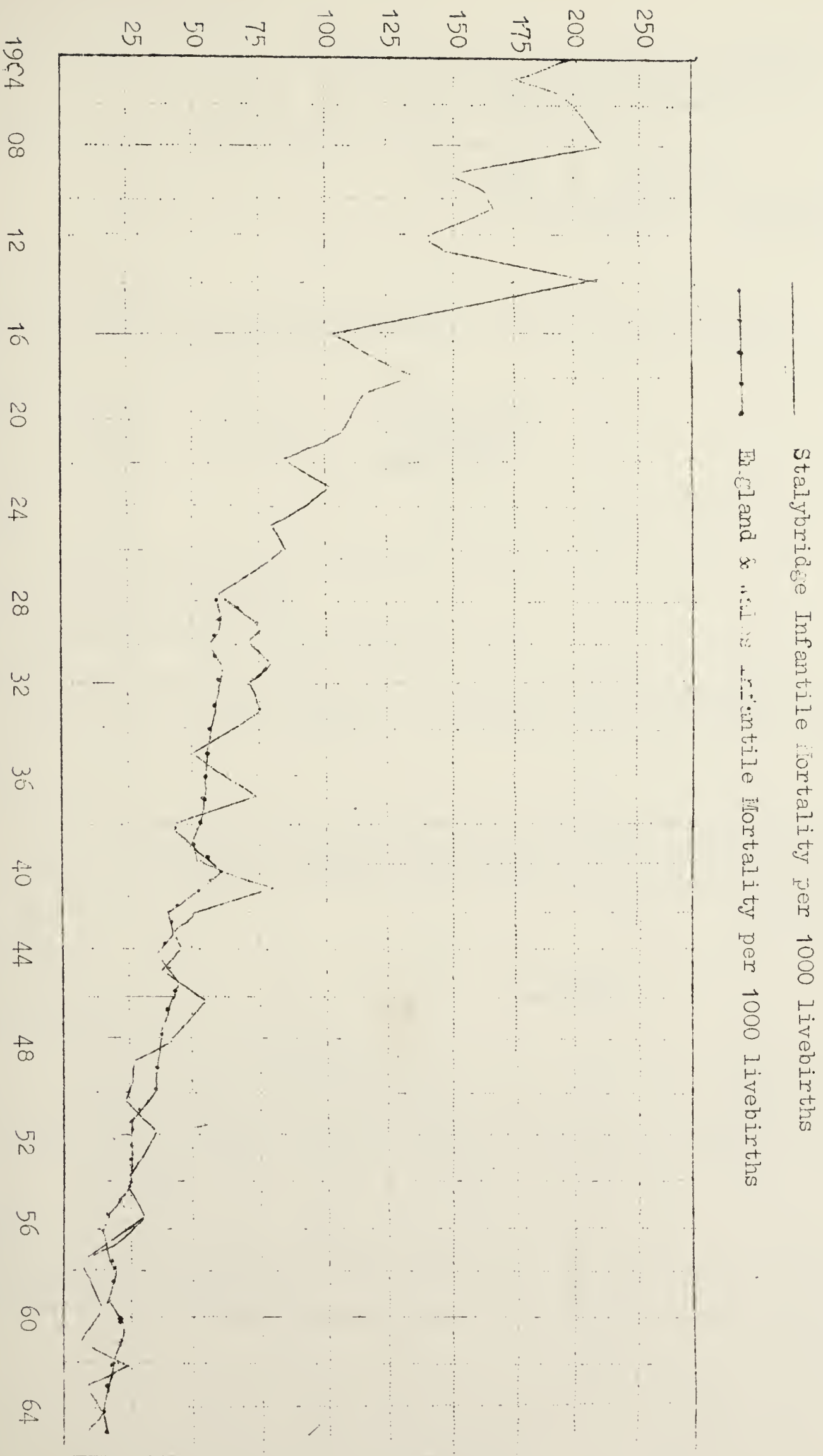
Year	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infantile Mortality Rate
1900 - 04	24.58	20.1	210
1905 - 09	23.01	18.63	193.2
1910 - 14	21.63	17.92	165.48
1915 - 19	16.83	17.75	130.9
1920 - 24	18.56	15.08	114.9
1925 - 29	14.97	14.80	81.1
1930 - 34	13.47	13.78	73.80
1935 - 39	12.94	15.02	54.6
1940 - 44	15.42	16.11	60.57
1945 - 49	18.78	14.98	45.69
1950 - 54	15.56	13.97	28.43
1955 - 59	15.30	14.38	18.53
1960 - 64	17.93	15.25	18.06
1965	16.55	14.71	15.53

TABLE V

INFANTILE MORTALITY 1965

CAUSE OF DEATH	A G E (MONTHS)												Total all ages	Rate 1000 Live Births	
	-1	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	6-	7-	8-	9-	10-	11-			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F			
Heart Disease.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3.10
Pneumonia.....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3.10
Other defined and ill- defined diseases.....	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	9.33
Total	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	15.53
Neo Natal Rate 12.42 compared with that for 1964 11.11															

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE - STALYBRIDGE (1900-1965)



GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH

SERVICES IN THE AREA

BACTERIOLOGY

The following specimens were forwarded to the Public Health Laboratory for investigation :-

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Positive for Pathogenic Organisms</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Total</u>
Faeces	18	90	108
Throat Swab	-	-	-
	18	90	108

I would like to thank Dr. Abbott and the staff at the Public Health Laboratory for their willing help and co-operation at all times.

MILK AND DAIRIES

Since the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960 came into force we have been supplied with details of the results of all samples taken by the County Medical Officer to whom I am grateful for the following information :-

TABLE VI

Type of Milk					Type of Test							
Past.	Ster.	T.T.	T.T.Past.	Raw	Meth.Blue		Phosphatase		Turbidity		B.Tuberculosis	
					Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.
37	62	-	12	46	91	3	49	-	62	-	-	-

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

The Cheshire County Council continue to administer the Food and Drugs Act and the samples of food noted below were obtained in the Borough during the year by the Weights & Measures Department of that authority. Mr. Howard Hughes reports as follows :-

<u>Sample</u>	<u>No. of samples obtained</u>	<u>No. of samples reported against</u>
Apples, American	1	
Apple Fruit Pie	1	
Biscuits, savoury tang (Bacon flavour)	1	
Blueberry Pie Filling	1	
Bread, sliced (complaint)	1	1
Cabbage, Spring	1	
Cheese, Cottage	1	
Chorley Cakes	1	
Cockles, cooked	1	
Coffee	1	
Coffee Instant	1	
Concentrated Chicken Stock Tablets ...	1	
Creamed Sago Milk Pudding	1	
Custard Powder with added Glucose ...	1	
Dripping, beef	1	
Ginger cake	1	
Ice Lolly Syrup (Lemon flavour) ...	1	
Indian Tonic Water (Low Calorie) ...	1	
Lard	1	
Margarine... ..	1	
Milk	72	3
" Dried, Skimmed (complaint) ...	1	
" Reconstituted Dried Skimmed (Complaint)	1	
Nutmeg, ground	1	
Pikelets	1	
Potted Meat	1	
Sprouts	1	
Sunny Spread	1	
Sweets: Ball Gums with Ring	1	
Glees (Chewy Fruits)... ..	1	
Godley Rock	1	
Milk Chocolate Cream Bar (Rum and Coffee flavour) ...	1	
Pineapple Cubes	1	
Trillions Sugar Fruits	1	
Tea	2	
Vegetables, mixed (complaint)... ..	1	1
Welsh Rarebit, Instant	1	
Zanthine Extra Energy Tablets ...	1	
	<hr/> 110	<hr/> 6

Particulars of samples not up to standard during
the year ended 31st December, 1965

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Result of Analysis</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Bread, sliced (complaint)	Six slices of the bread were contaminated with soiled dough.	Bakers fined £10 plus £3.18.0. costs
Milk Homogenised	Sub-standard but genuine. 2.3% deficient in solids- not-fat.	No action
- ditto -	- ditto -	No action
Zanthine Extra Energy Tablets	Containing caffeine and not conforming to Article 10 of the Labelling of Food Order. Caffeine 0.036 g. per tablet (declared: 0.03 g. per tablet).	Manufacturers cautioned
Mixed Vegetables (complaint)	On the surface of a piece of turnip there was a small fly which was not proved to have been heat treated.	Manufacturers cautioned
Milk, Channel Islands	3.5% deficient in solids- not-fat	No action

Particulars of complaints from private purchasers not submitted to the Public Analyst during the year ended 31st December, 1965

<u>From:</u>	<u>Complaint:</u>	<u>Remarks:</u>
Private purchaser	Sliced loaf containing soiled dough	Bakers fined £10 plus £3.18.0. costs
" "	Tin of Mixed vegetables containing a fly	Manufacturers cautioned
" " (School)	Pork Luncheon Meat containing a piece of wire	Importers cautioned
Private purchaser	Wasp in flagon of Dandelion and Burdock drink	Bottlers cautioned

WATER SUPPLIES

7 samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination and the results were recorded as follows :-

3 samples of Town's water were found to be satisfactory.

3 samples of a small chlorinated supply serving 185 houses in the Millbrook area were taken, 2 were satisfactory and 1 unsatisfactory.

1 sample of the spring supplies in the Carrbrook and Millbrook area were taken and all returned satisfactory results. One rural supply in the Carrbrook district is closely watched by the department and I am glad to report that the improvement brought about by filters has been maintained. This filtered water has always proved to be of a satisfactory quality.

I am indebted to the Engineer and Manager of the Ashton-u-Lyne, Stalybridge, Dukinfield (District) Waterworks, Mr. M.T.B. Whitson, for the following information :-

1. The quality and quantity of water have both been satisfactory.
2. Bacteriological examination of piped supplies.

<u>Type of Water</u>	<u>Samples taken</u>	<u>Results</u>
Raw	None	--
Filtered water taken directly after filtration	22	Quite satisfactory
Filtered water-tap samples taken at various points in the Borough	43	" "
Chemical Analysis	2	" "

3. Plumbo Solvency. Sodium Carbonate added before filtration. 16 samples were taken and the results were all satisfactory.
4. No form of contamination has presented itself.
5. Population supplied from public water mains:

(a) Direct to houses - 22,190

(b) By means of standpipes - NONE

The Dove Stone Reservoir is now nearing completion and tests for water-tightness of the embankment and surrounding strata are being made.

At the present time the reservoir contains about 600,000,000 gallons, and the Committee are in a much better position to face any emergency caused by drought or winters of the nature of 1962/3.

The Committee cannot, of course, take any action on fluoridation until such time as all the public health authorities supplied by them are in agreement. This arises from the fact that the mains from the filter houses in passing through the various districts of supply are tapped for public purposes in the area. Fluorine would require to be applied at the filter house and if one public health authority objected this would vitiate the whole scheme.

BATHS

The following criteria have applied to the Public Swimming Baths for the past few years :-

- (1) Source of Supply - Town's mains
- (2) Both pools are operated on the continuous turn-over system.
(a) Filtration (b) Aeration (c) Sterilisation by Chlorine Gas.

Chemical treatment is constant and frequent tests are taken to ensure that breakpoint chlorination is present giving a free chlorine reading of two parts per million with a potential hydrogen reading of 7.8 parts per million. The resultant bacterial counts under these conditions have been nil.

Periodically both pools are completely emptied and the basins scrubbed.

TABLE VII

	F	M	TOTAL
Tuberc.	F		
Other	M		
Tuberc.	F		
Meninges & C.N.S.	M		
Tuberc.	F		
Resp.	M		
Food Poisoning	F		
	M		
Erysipelas	F		
	M		
Pneumonia	F		
	M		
Meningo-coccal Infections	F		
	M		
Dysentery	F		
	M		
Measles	F		
	M		
Ac.Polio-myelitis	F		
	M		
Whooping Cough	F		
	M		
Scarlet Fever	F		
	M		
Under 1 year			
1 - "			
2 - years			
3 - "			
4 - "			
5 - 9			
10-14			
15-24			
25 & over			
Age unknown			
Under 5 years			
5-14			
15-44			
45-64			
65 & over			
Age unknown			
Under 5 years			
5-14			
15-24			
25-44			
45-64			
65 & over			
Age unknown			
TOTAL			

TABLE VIIIIncidence of the Main Infectious Diseases1958 - 1965

	1965	1964	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	1	2	10	11	7	9	19	38
Tuberculosis (all forms)	9	6	15	11	13	14	7	10
Measles	149	326	265	128	189	245	394	31
Whooping Cough	1	35	24	18	14	63	30	36
Dysentery	5	5	-	31	-	156	7	20
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	2	1	9	9	8	14	10	4
Total	167	375	323	208	231	501	467	141

SPECIFIC INFECTIONS

The notifications of infectious fevers fell from 375 to 167 in 1965 as a result of the decline in the incidence of measles. The figures for the year are the lowest since 1958 and it is of interest to compare this report with those at the turn of the century. In those days the bulk of the work of the Medical Officer of Health was concerned with the control of such conditions as smallpox, typhoid fever, diphtheria, scarlet fever and erysipelas. In 1902 Dr. Roberts-Dudley quotes among those conditions notified the following :-

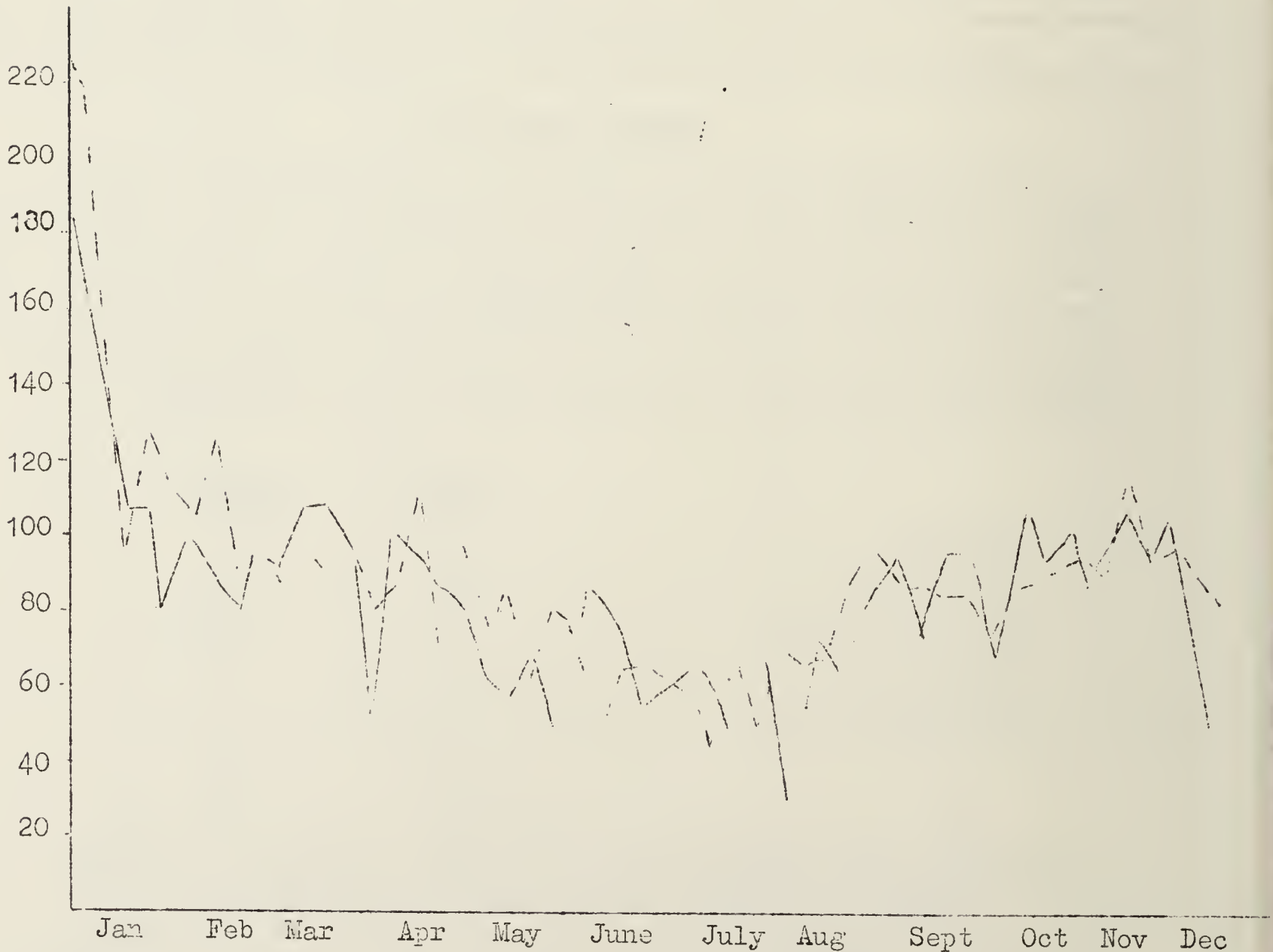
	<u>No. of cases</u>	<u>Deaths</u>
Smallpox	3	1
Scarlet Fever	194	7
Diphtheria	40	14
Membranous Croup	4	4
Typhoid Fever	20	7
Erysipelas	11	1
Puerperal Fever	2	-
	<u>274</u>	<u>34</u>

At this time our commonest fever today - measles - was not a notifiable disease nor was infantile paralysis mentioned. In 1900 20 cases of smallpox occurred with 3 deaths. The epidemic was not confined to Stalybridge but also involved Salford, Bolton, Oldham and Halifax, the result of the contacts of the patient on his return home from Russia. There is complete protection against this condition by vaccination yet it is a source of amazement to me that today one of the main reasons for consideration being given to this procedure is in order to allow the individual to go abroad for his holiday.

Comment will be found later in the report on the work of the department during the mass poliomyelitis immunisation programme in September, 1965.

For some years past the Regional Controller of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance has issued weekly figures of the number of new claims for sickness benefit made during the preceding seven days. This is a useful guide to the sickness in the town although it does not, unfortunately, specify the conditions responsible. The figures obtained from the Ministry are shown in graphical form below.

SICKNESS CLAIMS - MINISTRY OF PENSIONS AND NATIONAL INSURANCE
----- 1965 ----- 1964



TUBERCULOSIS TREND 1922 - 1965

Notifcation per 1000 Population

Deaths per 1000 Population

Notifications

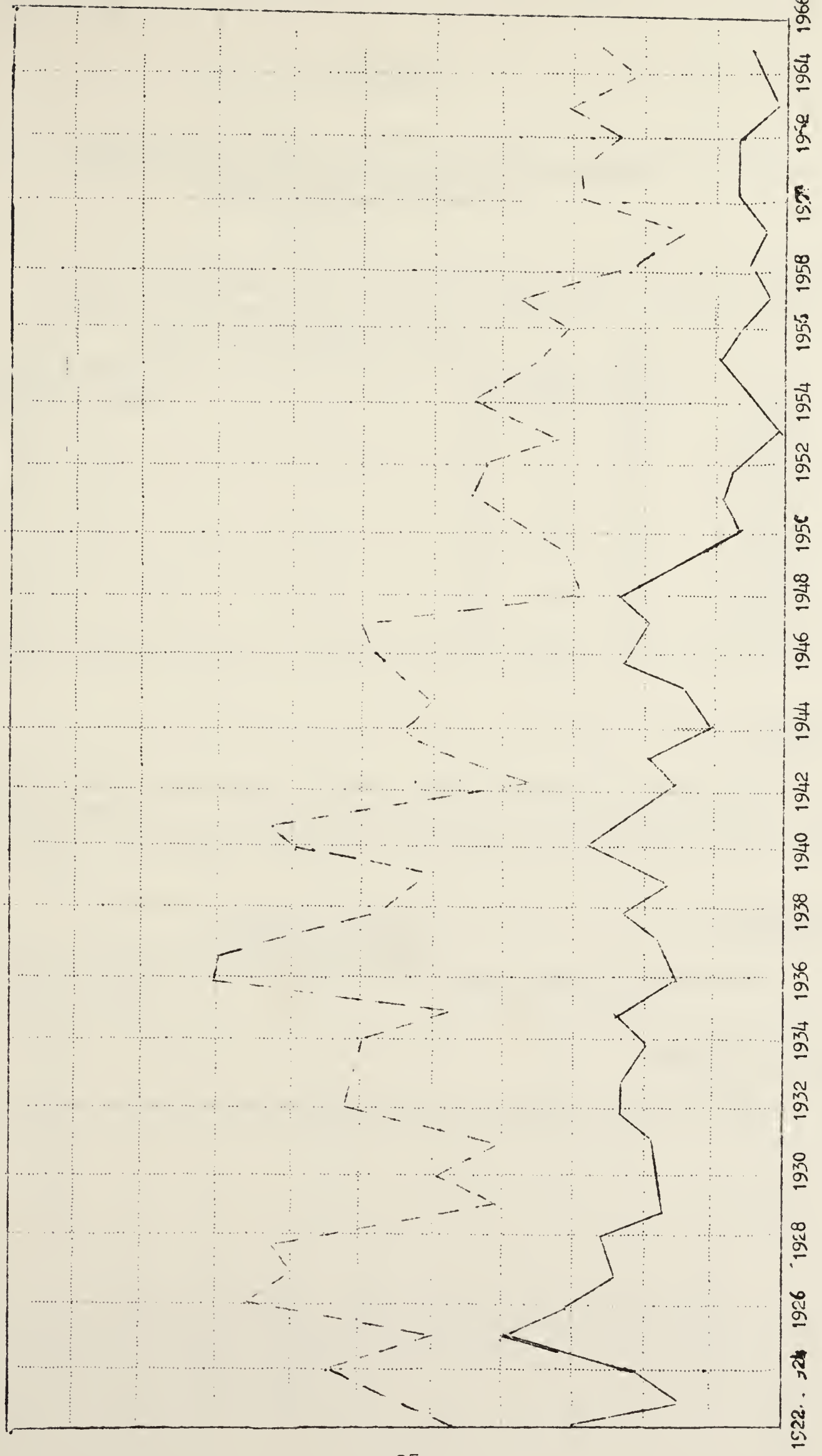


TABLE IX

Cases of Tuberculosis remaining on Register
at December 1956 - 1965

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
1956	84	59	9	6	93	65
1957	86	64	10	6	96	70
1958	82	62	9	6	91	68
1959	79	58	7	7	86	63
1960	73	52	9	6	82	61
1961	69	48	9	8	78	56
1962	67	44	10	8	77	52
1963	69	35	11	11	80	46
1964	58	31	13	12	71	43
1965	54	33	14	14	68	47

CANCER

The number of cancer deaths this year remained at 58. Of these deaths 18, or 31.03%, were due to cancer of the lung. It is significant to note that the figure of 18 is made up of 17 males and only 1 female.

DYSENTERY

There were 5 cases only of dysentery to record for the year 1965.

FOOD POISONING

There are no outbreaks of food poisoning to report during 1965.

H O U S I N G

The following table gives the number of houses which have been represented as individually unfit for human habitation since 1940 :-

TABLE X

Year	No. of Houses Represented	
	<u>Housing Act, 1936</u>	
	<u>Section 12 (1) Closing Order</u>	<u>Section 11 (1) Demolition Order</u>
1940	3	-
1941	-	-
1942	-	3
1943	4	8
1944	2	5
1945	-	4
1946	-	3
1947	1	1
1948	-	-
1949	-	5
1950	-	8
1951	1	2
1952	1	4
1953	4	10
1954	16	1
1955	36	5
1956	14	4
1957	12	-
	<u>Sections 16 & 17 Housing Act, 1957</u>	
	<u>Closing Order</u>	<u>Demolition Order</u>
1957	9	8
1958	14	28
1959	6	13
1960	16	2
1961	16	9
1962	7	2
1963	13	-
1964	6	7
1965	3	1

During the year fifteen clearance areas were made involving 272 houses. These are detailed in Table II in the Chief Public Health Inspector's section of this report.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
AND
CLEANSING SUPERINTENDENT
FOR THE YEAR
1965

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To the Chairman and Members of
the Public Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you my nineteenth Annual Report on the work of the Cleansing Department and the Public Health Inspectors section of the Health Department.

The task of carrying out inspections and recording all premises registered under the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 was started and completed during the year - this was a completely new task and apart from the actual work involved in inspecting premises, the preparatory work of reading and digesting the flood of official circulars was a job in itself!

As in years past the clearance of unfit houses was again one of the main activities of the Department - our present target - that of representing 250 houses per year - was again achieved. This is no small achievement in an Authority with a population of under 22,000. Since 1954 when our post-war slum clearance programme was started 1,667 houses have been represented as unfit and dealt with in 80 clearance areas.

The increased bulk of domestic refuse to be collected and the shortage of suitable labour, due to full employment, is a constant problem. The collection and disposal of refuse is accepted by the general public and is only noticed when the collection is delayed. Due to advancement in the methods of domestic heating, many households both in and out of Smoke Control Areas, are dispensing with the open fire and as a result all domestic refuse finds its way into the dustbin. This contribution to the cause of Clean Air is to be welcomed, but it does certainly cause difficulties in the Cleansing Department!

No member of either the technical or clerical staff has left during the year and it is again very pleasing to be able to report loyal and conscientious service given by all members of the staff.

I would like also to place on record the encouragement always received from the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee when matters affecting the Health and Welfare of the inhabitants of the Borough are brought forward.

Your obedient Servant,

J. NORRIS.

Chief Public Health Inspector.

TABLE I

	Number Visits	No. Notices served		Result of Service of Notice		
		Staty.	In- formal	Complied with	Out- standing	Prose- cutions
Housing	3169	3	149	140	12	-
Yards, Courts, Passages	19	-	-	-	-	-
Drainage & Conversions	446	-	51	51	-	-
Infectious Disease	421	-	-	-	-	-
Meat & Other Foods	536	-	-	-	-	-
Food Premises	302	-	37	29	8	-
Milk & Dairies	20	-	-	-	-	-
Ice Cream Mfr. & Shops	20	-	-	-	-	-
Water Supplies	8	-	-	-	-	-
Shops Acts	228	-	-	-	-	-
Factories Act	129	-	18	11	7	-
Refuse Collection	637	-	-	-	-	-
Refuse Disposal	371	-	-	-	-	-
Smoke Abatement (Industrial)	49	-	3	3	-	-
Smoke Control Areas (Dom.)	483	-	1	1	-	-
Hairdressing Saloons	21	-	2	-	2	-
Schools	2	-	-	-	-	-
Keeping of Animals	14	-	-	-	-	-
Offensive Accumulations	53	-	11	11	-	-
Offensive Trades	2	-	-	-	-	-
Contagious Diseases of Animals	18	-	-	-	-	-
Pets Act	3	-	-	-	-	-
Rats & Mice Infestations	138	-	-	-	-	-
" " "						
(visits by Rodent Operator)	2463	-	-	-	-	-
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises	193	-	174	80	94	-
Unclassified Visits	523	-	10	10	-	-
Interviews	1084	-	-	-	-	-
Committee Meetings	29	-	-	-	-	-
Total	11381	3	456	336	123	-

HOUSING CONDITIONS.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

There are no common lodging houses in the district.

HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH ACT DEFECTS.

During the year 463 complaints were received and investigated. The number in 1964 was 318.

3 formal and 215 informal notices dealing with 267 defects were served.

It was not found necessary to take any prosecutions this year.

CLEARANCE OF UNFIT HOUSES.

Clearance of unfit houses continued during the year. 15 further clearance areas were represented involving 273 houses.

Objections were received to 5 of the Compulsory Purchase Orders. Inquiries were held on the 18th January, 1966, 1st March, 1966 and 13th April, 1966. It is possible that further Inquiries will be held into the Compulsory Purchase Order made late in the year.

TABLE
CLEARANCE OF UN

No.	Clearance Area	Clearance Order or Compulsory Purchase Order	Date of Order	No. of Houses Represented	No. of Houses Confirmed by Ministry
1.	Henry St. & Thomas St.	CPO	1955	34	34
2.	Bridge St. No. 1	CPO	1955	6	6
3.	Bridge St. No. 2	CPO	1955	6	6
4.	Cartwright's Bldgs., Robinson St.,	CO	1955	7	7
5.	Robinson St. & Summers St.,	CO	1955	11	11
6.	High St. No. 1	Patching	-	9	9
7.	Castle Hall No. 1	CPO	1955	28	27
8.	Robinson St. & Binns St.,	CPO	1955	15	15
9.	High St. No. 2	CPO	1955	6	6
10.	Castle Hall No. 2	CPO	1955	38	38
11.	Woolley's Terr. Peel St., Stanley St. & Robinson St.,	CO	1956	36	36
12.	Ashton St. & Belfield's Yard	CO	1956	14	14
13.	Castle St. & Caroline St.,	CPO	1956	8	8
14.	Grafton St. & John St.,	CPO	1957	14	14
15.	Grouse St. & Friendship Yard	CPO	1957	13	13
16.	Newton St. & Mount St.,	CPO	1959	35	35
17.	Tenter Brow	CPO	1959	9	9
18.	Castle Hall No. 3	CPO	1959	48	48
19.	Grosvenor St. & Caroline St.,	CO	1959	12	12
20.	Hully St., & Water Road	CO	1959	6	6
21.	Shepley St., & Water St.,	CPO	1959	14	14
22.	Buckley Street	CPO	1959	5	5
23.	Grosvenor Street No. 1	CPO	1959	29	29
24.	Huddersfield Rd. & Platt's Bldgs.,	-	-	33	Order no made
25.	Leech Street	CPO	1960	13	13
26.	Stamford St. & Ayton St.	CPO	1960	10	10
27.	Canal St., Grosvenor St., Bennett St.	CPO	1960	17	17
28.	Vaudrey St. & Cross Leech St.	CPO	1960	5	5
29.	Castle Hall No. 4	CPO	1961	41	41
30.	High St. No. 3	CPO	1961	11	11
31.	Grosvenor St. & Hallas St.	CPO	1961	7	7
32.	High Street/Booth Street	CPO	1961	102	102
33.	Back Grosvenor Street	CPO	1961	4	4
34.	Back Demesne Street	-	-	15	Order no made
35.	Bower Grove	CPO	1961	13	13
36.	North End	CPO	1962	23	23
37.	Black Rock	CPO	1962	14	14
38.	Hollins Street	CPO	1962	2	2
39.	Booth Street	CPO	1962	8	8
40.	Ogden Street	CPO	1962	3	3
41.	Back Avon Street	CPO	1962	8	8

II
HOUSES IN POST WAR SCHEME.

Date of Representation	Date of Enquiry	Date of Confirmation by Ministry	No. of persons Displaced	
8. 3.55.	27. 9.55.	5. 1.56.	111	
8. 3.55.	27. 9.55.	5. 1.56.	20	Includes 3 owned by L.A.
8. 3.55.	27. 9.55.	5. 1.56.	17	
8. 6.55.	No objection	12.12.55.	12	
8. 6.55.	No objection	12.12.55.	29	
8. 6.55.	-	16. 2.56.	-	
8. 6.55.	24. 1.56.	8. 3.56.	86	Includes 9 owned by L.A.
5.10.55.	20. 3.56.	18. 6.56.	45	
5.10.55.	20. 2.56.	18. 6.56.	20	
30.11.55.	31. 5.56.	28. 8.56.	96	
5. 9.56.	No objection	25. 2.57.	86	
5. 9.56.	No objection	25. 2.57.	44	
5. 9.56.	No objection	25. 3.57.	16	
28. 8.57.	11. 2.58.	4. 6.58.	24	
28. 8.57.	11. 2.58.	4. 6.58.	23	Includes 10 owned by L.A.
3. 9.58.	No objection	14. 5.59.	22	
8.10.58.	No objection	14. 5.59.	18	
8.10.58.	No objection	4. 6.59.	114	Includes 13 owned by L.A.
3. 6.59.	No objection	17. 6.60.	40	
3. 6.59.	No objection	30. 8.60.	13	
3. 6.59.	No objection	23. 2.60.	38	Includes 4 owned by L.A.
24. 6.59.	No objection	4. 1.60.	12	
9. 9.59.	10. 5.60.	18. 8.60.	61	
3. 2.60.	Properties purchased	-	49	
9. 3.60.	No objection	11.10.60.	30	Includes 1 owned by L.A.
1. 6.60.	15.10.60.	7. 3.61.	24	
7. 9.60.	No objection	22. 3.61.	17	Includes 2 owned by L.A.
7. 9.60.	No objection	26. 1.61.	4	
9.10.60.	No objection	17. 5.61.	93	Includes 4 owned by L.A.
8. 3.61.	No objection	15. 9.61.	27	
26. 4.61.	No objection	15. 9.61.	11	
5. 4.61.	9. 8.61.	7.12.61.	215	
21. 6.61.	No objection	21.11.61.	10	
15.11.61.	Properties purchased	-	37	
8.11.61.	No objection	5. 7.62.	29	
7. 2.62.	No objection	15.11.62.	46	Includes 3 owned by L.A.
7. 2.62.	No objection	8.11.62.	48	
7. 2.62.	No objection	24.10.62.	8	
7. 2.62.	No objection	24.10.62.	27	
7. 2.62.	7. 6.62.	4.10.62.	7	
25. 4.62.	No objection	5.11.62.	19	

TABLE
CLEARANCE OF UNE

No.	Clearance Area	Clearance Order or Compulsory Purchase Order	Date of Order	No. of Houses Represented	No. of Houses Confirmed by Ministry
42.	Heap Street	CPO	1962	6	5
43.	Cocker Hill	CPO	1962	2	2
44.	Castle Hall No. 5	CPO	1962	189	188
45.	Castle Hall No. 6	CPO	1963	73	73
46.	Spring Bank, Heyrod	CO	1963	15	15
47.	Nos. 3 & 4 Comprehensive Development Areas (Unfit Orders)	CPO	1963	7	
48.	Castle Street Nos. 1 & 2	CPO	1963	19	19
49.	Castle Hall No. 7	CPO	1963	72	69
50.	Acres Lane & Lawton Street	CPO	1963	9	7
51.	Stanford St./Wakefield Rd./Church St.	CPO		26	24
52.	Montague St./Kinder St./Union St.	CPO	1963	13	13
53.	High St./Robinson St./Tame St./Stanley St.	CPO	1964	56	54
54.	Howards Buildings	CPO	1964	16	16
55.	Castle Hall No. 8	CPO	1964	5	4
56.	Brougham Street	CPO	1964	17	17
57.	Warrington St. & Swallow's Yard	CPO	1964	12	12
58.	High St. No. 4	CPO	1964	4	4
59.	Castle Hall Nos. 9, 10, 11	CPO	1964	76	74
60.	Huddersfield Rd. & Ogden's Bldgs.	CO	1964	12	12
61.	Victoria St., Millbrook	CO	1964	6	6
62.	High St. & Victoria Place	CPO	1964	27	27
63.	High St. Nos. 5, 6, 7	CPO	1965	32	
64.	Kirk's Bldgs.,	CPO	1965	3	
65.	Bk. Astley St.	CPO	1965	5	
66.	George St. No. 1 & 2	CPO	1965	14	
67.	Set. St./Sycamore St.	CPO	1965	49	
68.	High St. No. 8 and High St./Robinson St./Nield St.	CPO	1966	49	
69.	Quay St./Calvorts Yd.	CPO	1966	21	
70.	Quarry St.	CO	1966	3	
71.	Booth St.	CPO	1966	7	
72.	Castle Hall No. 12 & 13	CPO	1966	90	

II
HOUSES IN POST WAR SCHEME

Date of Representation	Date of Enquiry	Date of Confirmation by Ministry	No. of persons Displaced	
25. 4.62.	No objection	5.11.62.	7	1 part demolished house to be coloured grey.
25. 4.62.	No objection	5.11.62.	3	
6. 6.62.	No objection	24. 4.63.	455	Includes 3 owned by L.A.
9. 1.63.	No objection	6.12.63.	158	1 lock-up shop colrd. grey
9. 1.63.	No objection	20. 6.63.	23	Includes 15 owned by L.A.
3. 4.63.	18. 2.64.			
5. 6.63.	No objection	27. 4.64.	29	
5. 6.63.	3. 3.64.	28. 7.64.	139	Includes 15 owned by L.A.
5. 6.63.	3. 3.64.	28. 7.64.	21	
5. 6.63.	18.11.64.	29. 4.65.	48	Includes 3 owned by L.A.
7. 8.63.	No objection	11. 2.64.	20	Includes 5 owned by L.A.
18. 3.64.	12. 1.65.	2. 3.65.	116	Includes 5 owned by L.A.
22. 4.64.	No objection	15. 1.65.	23	
22. 4.64.	No objection	28. 1.65.	8	Includes 1 owned by L.A.
5. 8.64.	No objection	27. 4.65.	39	
5. 8.64.	No objection	27. 4.65.	32	
5. 8.64.	No objection	17. 8.65.	10	
5. 8.64.	No objection	2. 8.65.	152	Includes 29 owned by L.A.
25.11.64.	4. 5.65.	27. 7.65.	24	
25.11.64.	4. 5.65.	26. 7.65.	15	
25.11.64.	26. 5.65.	19. 7.65.	58	Includes 1 owned by L.A.
28. 4.65.	18. 1.66.		41	Plus 7 "Grey" houses-shops
28. 4.65.	1. 3.66.		5	
28. 4.65.	1. 3.66.		10	
9. 6.65.	13. 4.66.		34	
9. 6.65.	18. 1.66.		121	
8. 9.65.			101	Plus 5 "Grey" Houses
8. 9.65.			50	
8. 9.65.			12	
8. 9.65.	13. 4.66.		15	
20.10.65.			225	Plus 13 "Grey" houses

RENT ACT, 1957.

No applications for certificates of disrepair were received.

FOOD.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS INSPECTION.

Whilst the number of animals slaughtered in our one slaughterhouse shows a decrease, the weekend kill is still in the region of 85% of the total. One Public Health Inspector is on meat inspection each Saturday and Sunday morning including holiday periods.

It is again very satisfactory to report that no Tuberculosis was found in any Bovine animal.

TABLE III.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed	872	1701	13	5797	1178
Number Inspected	872	1701	13	5797	1178
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS & CYSTICERCOSIS					
Whole carcasses condemned	3	14	1	15	3
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	252	773	4	517	222
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuber- culosis and cysticercosis	29.24	46.27	38.46	9.18	19.10
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	3
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	0.25
CYSTICERCOSIS					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	1	10	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treat- ment by refrigeration	1	6	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

The approximate weight of meat and offal condemned at the Buckley Street Slaughterhouse is as follows :-

							<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>
Tubercular ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 lbs.	43 lbs.
Non-tubercular ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28467 lbs.	35019 lbs.
							<u>28477 lbs.</u>	<u>35062 lbs.</u>

Details of meat and offal condemned are as follows :-

							<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>
Whole carcasses ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	36
Part carcasses ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32	72
Heads and Tongues...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	48
Lungs ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	727	915
Diaphragms ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	74	74
Hearts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	54	115
Livers ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	969	850
Part Livers...	...	...	...	...	...	...	681	632
Stomachs ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	26
Mesenteries & Intestines			...	...	...	...	19	23
Spleens ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	89	109
Kidneys ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	93	100
Plucks ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	31
Tails ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	-
Udders ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	368	174
Stomach & Intestines	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	-
Stomach & Mesentery	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	2
Tongues ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	1

SLAUGHTERHOUSE.

January 1st 1961 was the appointed day for the Construction Regulations to apply to our one slaughterhouse situated in Buckley Street. The Slaughterhouse is privately owned and leased to a wholesale butcher.

DISPOSAL OF CONDEMNED MEAT AND OFFAL.

All condemned meat and offal is sold to a firm outside the Borough for processing after being stained green by the Meat Inspectors.

In addition the following have been condemned :-

146 tins Meat	1 tin Condensed Milk
202 " Fruit	1 " Cream
81 " Vegetables	1 bot. "
35 " Soup	1 " Malt Vinegar
66 " Fruit Juice	1 jar French Mustard
7 " Fish	40 pkts. Meat
6 " Creamed Sago	65 " Vegetables
4 " " Rice	38 " Fish
4 " Baked Beans	14 " Potato Croquettes
4 " Evaporated Milk	18 " Pastry
	90 lbs. Buttock & Rump

The following is a list of shops in which food is sold :-

Grocery and Provisions ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	85
Bakers and Confectioners	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27
Fish Friers	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
Greengrocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Sweets & Tobacco etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Fishmongers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Cafes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Tripe	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wines & Spirits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Outdoor Licences	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Factory Canteens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
School Canteens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10

PREMISES REGISTERED UNDER SECTION 16
OF THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

<u>Ice Cream</u>	- Manufacture	1
	- Storage and Sale	72

<u>Preserved Foods</u>	- Preparation and Manufacture	42
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In relation to ice cream premises the requirements of the Ice Cream (Heat Treatment, etc.) Regulations, 1947 - 1952 are complied with.

FOOD PREMISES.

The routine inspection of food premises continued during the year. A reasonable standard of hygiene is generally maintained and the majority of food traders are co-operative. The total number of visits to food premises during the year was 318 and the following is a list of visits made to the various types of food premises :-

	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>
Butchers' Shops	52	47
Bakehouses	64	41
Cafes and Canteens	121	38
Fried Fish Shops	6	18
Ice Cream Manufacturing and Storage ...	21	16
Fishmongers	6	6
Other Food Premises	246	152

MOBILE FOOD SHOPS.

A number of food traders are now operating mobile shops and under a local act the licensing of all hawkers is required. No licence is issued without the vehicle being inspected and approved by the Public Health Department and in this way a reasonable standard of mobile food shop is attained.

ICE CREAM.

Distribution of ice cream within the Borough continues to be very satisfactory, only closed motor vans and trailers specially constructed and equipped with hot and cold water are used. The factory in which ice cream is manufactured is structurally unsatisfactory but the equipment is excellent. Plans have been passed for the erection of a new factory. Results of samples taken are as follows :-

	<u>In Borough</u>	<u>Outside Borough</u>
Grade 1	2	3

CLEAN AIR.

Industrial Air Pollution.

The big majority of industrial firms keep well within the time limit laid down in the Dark Smoke (Permitted Periods) Regulations, 1958.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of observations</u>	<u>Number contravening Regulations</u>	<u>% contravening Regulations</u>
1952	15	-	Nil
1953	17	-	Nil
1954	92	10	10.86
1955	137	9	6.56
1956	168	2	1.19
1957	120	2	1.66
1958	42	1	2.38
1959	82	2	2.44
1960	172	2	1.16
1961	88	2	2.27
1962	65	1	1.54
1963	49	-	Nil
1964	45	-	Nil
1965	15	-	Nil

No contraventions of the regulations were noted during the formal observations. Alterations and improvements to two boiler plants in the near future should further reduce industrial smoke.

Domestic Air Pollution

During the year one further Smoke Control Order was confirmed - the site of the Manchester Overspill development at Buckton Vale - details are given in the following table :-

<u>Smoke Control Orders</u>					
<u>No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Operation</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Premises</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
					Site still being
1.	Fern Bank	1.3.60.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	130	developed
2.	Castle Hall No. 1	1.6.60.	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	95	Redevelopment site
3.	High Street No. 1	1.6.60.	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	36	" "
4.	Castle Hall No. 2	1.1.62.	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	" "
5.	Ridge Hill/Stamford Street	1.7.62.	230	900	
6.	Hague/Heyrod	1.3.64.	245	1205	
7.	Lindenwood	1.7.65.	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	116	Private development
8.	Hollins Estate etc.	1.7.65.	62 $\frac{1}{2}$	216	" " etc.
9.	Buckton Vale Road	1.3.66.	10	126	Manchester Overspill Site
			587 $\frac{1}{2}$	2867	

In December it was decided to carry out a Postal Survey of about 450 houses in the Mottram Road/Mottram Old Road area. It is hoped that a Smoke Control Order covering this area will be made in 1966.

Measurement of Air Pollution.

Two volumetric SO₂ and smoke recording instruments are in use - one in the Health Department and the other at West Hill School. In order to obtain a complete year's figures readings are taken during all holiday periods. The apparatus at West Hill School was dismantled in December, having fulfilled its purpose.

The following Table shows the comparison between the two sites :-

Month	Health Department						West Hill					
	Smoke			SO ₂			Smoke			SO ₂		
	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
Jan.	1068	72	254	910	115	257	912	48	214	188	22	77
Feb.	892	116	254	752	137	263	1164	32	226	195	33	75
March	476	68	151	357	109	165	432	16	122	182	17	69
April	572	48	154	352	79	152	488	32	129	240	44	67
May	300	24	102	189	32	102	232	8	89	115	13	37
June	188	11	65	223	24	95	152	8	49	89	9	34
July	216	28	95	166	35	95	256	18	80	174	8	51
Aug.	208	43	98	164	32	93	184	27	72	123	4	46
Sept.	356	40	142	209	37	99	320	34	115	93	19	45
Oct.	360	40	128	271	34	123	332	25	113	254	11	91
Nov.	708	59	240	509	58	216	644	36	195	497	23	164
Dec.	844	80	244	574	43	196	Apparatus dismantled					

The above figures are shown in microgrammes per cu. metre.

RODENT CONTROL.

During the year the Rodent Operator made 2,463 visits. A further 138 visits were made by the Public Health Inspectors.

The following figures show the takes recorded in the Warfarin treatments carried out over the past five years :-

April, 1960	- 116	out of 820	manholes	(14.1%)
October, 1960	- 178	" "	820	" (21.7%)
April, 1961	- 107	" "	850	" (12.6%)
October, 1961	- 152	" "	840	" (18.1%)
April, 1962	- 87	" "	690	" (12.6%)
October, 1962	- 81	" "	700	" (11.5%)
April, 1963	- 45	" "	560	" (8.03%)
October, 1963	- 120	" "	700	" (17.1%)
April, 1964	- 131	" "	560	" (23.4%)
October, 1964	- 89	" "	495	" (17.98%)

The use of Fluoracetamide in the sewers was commenced and it will be interesting to note whether any reduction in the sewer rat population is brought about. The dates of the Fluoracetamide treatments and the number of manholes treated are as follows :-

<u>Fluoracetamide</u>		<u>Manholes treated</u>
3rd May	- 11th May	385
30th Aug.	- 7th Sept.	400
22nd Nov.	- 11th Dec.	400

205 surface infestations of rats and mice were reported during the year.

29 annual contracts were in force at the end of the year and the total income received from these amounted to £145. 0. 0d.

Details of the work carried out in the Borough as detailed in Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food official form is as follows :-

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949
REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1964.

TYPE OF PROPERTY					
	Local Authority	Non-agricultural			Agri-cultural
		Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses)	All Other (inc. Business Premises)	Totals of Cols. (1) (2) and (3)	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I. No. of properties in L.A.'s District	10	7759	810	8579	23
II. Total no. of properties inspected as a result of notification	4	131	57	192	4
No. of such properties found to be infested by:-					
Common rat (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
Common rat (Minor)	-	7	24	31	1
Ship rat (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
Ship rat (Minor)	-	-	-	-	-
House mouse (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
House mouse (Minor)	1	3	12	16	-
III. Total no. of properties inspected in course of survey under the Act	3	115	66	184	1
No. of such properties found to be infested by:-					
Common rat (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
Common rat (Minor)	-	-	7	7	-
Ship rat (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
Ship rat (Minor)	-	-	-	-	-
House mouse (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
House mouse (Minor)	-	-	10	10	-

	TYPE OF PROPERTY				
	Non-agricultural				Agri- cultural
	Local Authority (1)	Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses) (2)	All Other (inc. Business Premises) (3)	Totals of Cols. (1) (2) and (3) (4)	
IV. Total no. proper- ties otherwise inspected (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose	-	-	-	-	-
V. Total inspections carried out - including re- inspections	63	631	613	1307	20
VI. No. of infested properties (in Secs. 11,111 & IV) treated by L.A.	1	10	53	64	1
VII. Total treatments carried out - inc. re-treatments	1	10	53	64	1
VIII. No. of notices served under Sec. 4 of the Act: (a) Treatment (b) Structural Work (i.e. Proofing)	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
IX. No. cases in which default action was taken following issue of notice under Sec.4	-	-	-	-	-
X. Legal Proceedings	-	-	-	-	-
XI. No. of "Block" control schemes carried out	-	-	-	-	-

DISINFESTATION.

Insecticide containing D.D.T. is used for disinfestation and 14 premises involving 49 rooms have been treated by this method

WASTE WATER CLOSET CONVERSIONS.

The three stage compulsory conversion scheme was completed in 1964, and the only recorded waste water closets left in the town are those serving houses in clearance areas and houses likely to be considered for clearance in the near future.

The total number of conversions carried out is 1,142. It is very satisfactory to report the elimination (with the exception of the properties referred to above) of this insanitary and unsatisfactory type of water closet.

The number of conversions carried out voluntarily was :-

1947	-	10
1948	-	61
1949	-	19
1950	-	22
1951	-	39
1952	-	30
1953	-	23
1954	-	31
1955	-	32
1956	-	72
1957	-	40
1958	-	41
1959	-	70
1960	-	122
1961	-	69
1962	-	37
1963	-	26
1964	-	12
1965	-	4

The four conversions carried out during the year were in properties likely to be scheduled for clearance where an emergency occurred or where a private contractor had delayed the start of the work.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

63 drains, 37 W.C.C's, 76 fresh W.C.'s and 80 waste water gullies have been opened by the Cleansing Department employees during the year.

The Borough Engineer, Mr. M. Hyslop, has kindly supplied me with the following information:-

Separate sewerage schemes were in course of development during 1965 at the Springs, Hollins and Lindenwood Estates and maintenance and improvement of the 15"/24" Trunk Sewer between Spring Grove Mill and Riverside Mill was carried out

FACTORIES ACTS.

137 visits to bakehouses and other factories have been made during the year. 16 informal notices have been served and complied with.

TABLE IV.

INSPECTIONS MADE BY PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS.

1. - Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.

	No. on Re- gister	Number of		
		Inspec- tions	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories without Mechanical Power	30	-	1	-
Factories with Mechanical Power	154	137	15	-
Other Premises under the act (in- cluding works of building and en- gineering construction but not including outworkers' premises)	7	-	-	-
	191	137	16	-

2. - Defects found

Particulars	Number of defects				Number of defects in respect of which prose- cutions were in- stituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Insp- ector	by H.M. Insp- ector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilating (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective draining of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences -					
Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
Unsuitable or defective	33	28	-	3	-
Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences	-	-	-	-	-
	33	28	-	3	-

OUTWORKERS.

There are 24 outworkers in the town employed by firms both inside and outside Stalybridge. Each outworker is engaged in making wearing apparel.

OFFENSIVE TRADES.

The only building used for the purpose of an offensive trade is one used for tripe boiling in Back Castle Street. The premises are included in a redevelopment area and are expected to be demolished soon.

SHOPS ACT, 1950.

228 visits were made to shops in connection with health provisions and hours of closing under the Shops Act, 1950.

REGISTRATION OF HAIRDRESSERS.

The number of premises registered for the purposes of hairdressing under Section 148 of the Cheshire County Council Act, 1953, is 32. The premises comply with the requirements of the bye-laws made under the Act and a good standard is maintained.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951.

2 premises are licensed under the Act. The premises are kept in a reasonable condition.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES OF ANIMALS

The Swine Fever (Infected Areas) Restrictions Special Order No. 28 came into operation on 30th April and continued until 18th June. 23 movement licences were issued.

On 21st July, 1965 a Veterinary Surgeon reported a suspected case of Anthrax on a local farm. Although a blood sample had been taken the Vet would not clear the suspected heifer. This meant that the body had to be burnt on the spot along with all manure and the ground and surroundings disinfected. A flame gun kindly loaned by the Cheshire County Police at Crewe was used and operated by members of the Public Health Department staff. The cremation was completed at 2 a.m. on the following day. Samples submitted to the Ministry Laboratory, by the Vet. were negative.

Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order.

8 boilding plants are licensed under the above Order. Most of the plants are used by small stock-keepers and only a small amount of kitchen waste is treated.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

SECTION 50.

On the 15th December, 1965, notification was received from the Police that an elderly lady residing in Set Street had died and no relatives could be traced. In view of this, arrangements were made for burial. The funeral took place on 21st December and the cost was receovered from the estate of the deceased.

PUBLIC RELATIONS.

Talks were again given to the senior classes in the two Secondary Modern Schools. Clean Air was again the subject chosen.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

During the year the following premises were registered. Each premise was inspected and recorded and the totals shown below are the number of premises on our register at the year end.

Offices	...	...	...	...	...	35
Retail Shops	...	...	...	...	...	106
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	...	...	...	...	...	3
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens	23
Fuel Storage Depots	-
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The number of visits to registered premises was 306.

The analysis of persons employed in Registered Premises is as follows :-

<u>Class of Workplace</u>	<u>No. of persons employed</u>
Offices	234
Retail Shops	290
Wholesale Depts., Warehouses	39
Catering establishments open to the public	117
Canteens	1
Fuel Storage Depots	-
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	681
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Total No. of Males	292
" " " Females	389

No exemptions were granted.

ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS

<u>Section</u>		<u>Number of Contra- ventions found</u>	<u>Section</u>		<u>Number of Contra- ventions found</u>
4	Cleanliness	10	13	Sitting facilities	3
5	Overcrowding	3	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	4
6	Temperature	74	15	Eating facilities	2
7	Ventilation	25	16	Floors, passage & stairs	96
8	Lighting	33	17	Fencing exposed parts machinery	5
9	Sanitary Conveniences	76	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	37	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of Drinking Water	2	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing Accommo- dation	3	24	First Aid General Provisions	91
				TOTAL	464

REPORTED ACCIDENTS.

<u>Workplace</u>	<u>No. Re- ported</u>	<u>Total No. Investi- gated</u>	<u>Action Recommended</u>			
			<u>Prose- cution</u>	<u>Formal Warning</u>	<u>Informal Advice</u>	<u>No Action</u>
Offices	1	-	-	-	-	1
Retail Shops	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering Establish- ments open to public, canteens	1	-	-	-	-	1
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	2	-	-	-	-	2

Analysis of reported accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Warehouses	Catering Establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
Machinery	-	-	-	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	1	-	-	-	-
Stepping on or striking against object or person	-	-	-	-	-
Handling goods	-	-	-	1	-
Struck by falling object	-	-	-	-	-
Fires & Explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	-	-	-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	-	-	-	-

The two accidents were minor.

Lighting Standards.

During the last three months of 1965 visits were made to obtain a general impression of the standards of lighting and it was found that the lighting of offices and shops generally was satisfactory. Unsatisfactory lighting was noted in some sanitary conveniences and staircases. One case of very unsatisfactory lighting to a staircase and entrance hall serving a small office block was recorded. No instances of excessive glare were noted but unfavourable comment on fluorescent lighting was received from the occupiers of some premises

In November, 1965, tests were made with a light meter and the following information was obtained from premises inspected during that month -

No. of office premises where lighting, either natural or artificial, in lumens per square foot, measured at the working place was

(a)	Less than 5	Nil
(b)	5 - 10	2
(c)	10 - 15	1
(d)	15 - 25	3
(e)	More than 25	4

REFUSE COLLECTION,

DISPOSAL AND SALVAGE.

REFUSE COLLECTION

During the year the following loads of refuse were cleared :-

House Refuse	...	...	...	...	3,661
Salvage	...	...	...	...	843
Pails	...	...	...	...	51
Ashbins	...	...	...	...	457,300

The number of ashbins emptied continues to increase and the refuse continues to increase in bulk. Most of the refuse is now general rubbish, tins and paper and contains very little ash. In spite of labour shortages and high sickness absenteeism it was possible for a weekly refuse collection service to be maintained, except immediately following holidays and periods when sickness made it impossible to operate gangs at full strength. With the present acute shortage of labour it is becoming increasingly difficult to operate a satisfactory service. New development, Manchester overspill, and redevelopment are adding to the difficulties. Usually when planning an estate very little thought is given to providing easy access for dust-bin removal.

Provision of Ashbins.

As from 1st April, 1952, ashbins were supplied by the Council as a charge against General Rate Fund and since that date 6,371 ashbins have been supplied. During the year 533 bins were supplied to domestic premises and 22 bins were sold.

Pail Collection.

The pails serving the 40 - 50 hillside farms and cottages are emptied each week on Saturday morning - including holiday periods. A pail collection trailer is used and the contents are discharged into a sewer.

Refuse Collection Vehicles.

Details of vehicles operated by the Cleansing Department are as follows:-

<u>Registered No.</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Purchased</u>	<u>Price £</u>	<u>Depreciated Year</u>
SXJ 486	Karrier	9 cu.yd.	May 1956	925	1963
924 NC	Karrier	18 cu.yd.	Dec. 1960	2213	1967
2541 NF	Karrier	18 cu.yd.	Aug. 1962	2330	1969
419 YMA	Weatherill	Loading Shovel	Feb. 1963	2150	1967
4026 TJ	Ford	7 cwt. Van	July 1963	481	1970
9868 VU	Karrier	12 cu.yd.	Apr. 1964	2058	1971
CNF 918C	Karrier	10 cu.yd.	June 1965	1445	1972

ONE 147 has been taken off the road and for a time was used for moving ashes on the tip. SXJ 486 is now used as the spare wagon.

Cleansing Department Labour.

704 working days were lost due to sickness as against 381 days in 1964. The figure for 1963 was 715. The sickness figures were again abnormally high and almost equalled the highest total ever recorded in 1962. The time lost is equivalent to two men for each week of the year and was over 84% higher than in 1964.

Wages Rates.

Cleansing Department employees received two wage increases of 7/- per week in April and September. The basic rate per week for ashbinmen is now £12.6.9d. and for drivers £12.19.0d. plus 7/- per week service supplement for each full-time employee with at least five years continuous service with a local authority.

Agreement has been reached on the 40 hour week and this comes into operation at the beginning of January, 1966.

DISPOSAL.

Apart from several days tipping at the small sheltered tip in Quarry Street during periods of very bad weather, particularly strong easterly winds - the refuse was tipped as in previous years at the Brushes Tip.

Tipping Sites.

Meeting were held with representatives of Dukinfield Corporation with a view to using Hall Quarry (which is situated partly in both Boroughs) as a joint tip. If this Quarry was used it would mean the construction of a new access road. At the end of the year discussions were still taking place between the two Local Authorities and the owner of the Quarry and adjacent land.

Discussions were also taking place at officer level between Ashton, Dukinfield & Stalybridge regarding the possibility of erecting a Pulverisation Plant to be used jointly by the three Local Authorities. Permission was given for the officials to visit various types of Pulverisation Plant.

SALVAGE.

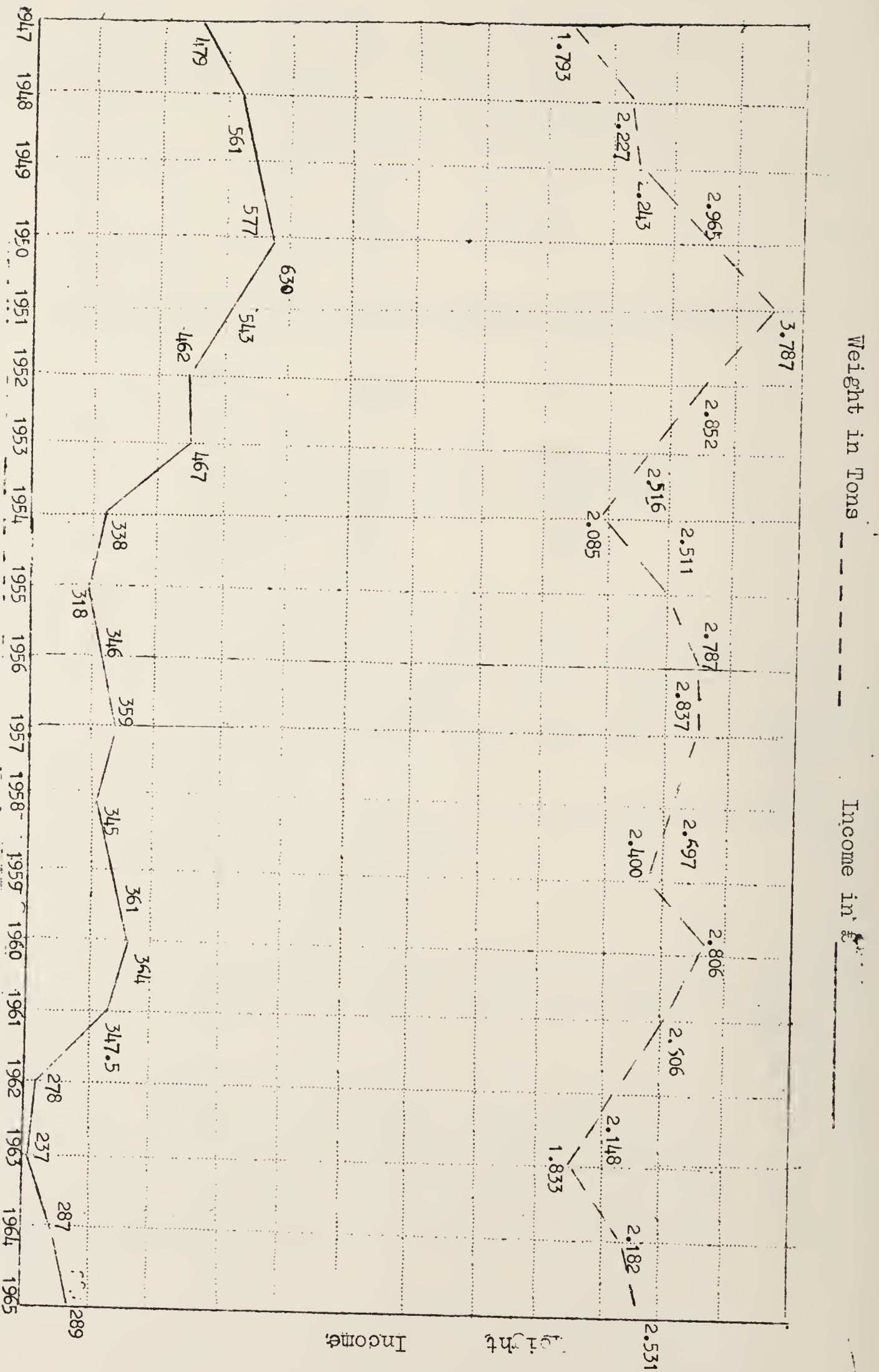
Details of the tonnage and value of waste paper collected during the past five years is as follows :-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Weight</u> (tons)	<u>Value</u> £
1961	330	2478
1962	265	1991
1963	227	1704
1964	278	2087
1965	271	2387

The following are comparative figures for 1964 and 1965 :-

<u>1964</u>				T.	C.	£
Paper	278	6	2087
Metal	8	11	79
Textiles	-	14	15
Sundries	-	-	1
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				287	11	2182
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<u>1965</u>				T.	C.	£
Paper	271	2	2387
Metal	11	8	92
Textiles	6	14	48
Sundries	-	2	4
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				289	6	2531
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Collected and Income



Salvage Bonus.

In the seventeen years the salvage bonus scheme has been in operation £5,201 has been paid to Cleansing Department employees. The bonus paid each financial year is as follows:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount Paid</u>		
	£	s.	d.
1948/49	86	16	2
1949/50	60	6	2
1950/51	148	19	0
1951/52	512	11	1
1952/53	136	3	1
1953/54	159	17	4
1954/55	228	3	11
1955/56	367	2	3
1956/57	418	12	5
1957/58	435	0	4
1958/59	362	18	5
1959/60	332	10	6
1960/61	429	18	3
1961/62	356	16	0
1962/63	235	11	10
1963/64	169	18	5
1964/65	240	3	9
1965/66	520	4	7
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COSTS.

The costs given below are those included in the Public Cleansing Costing Return submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for the year 1964/65. This return is submitted annually to the Ministry by Local Authorities of over 20,000 population. A summary of the whole of the costing returns submitted is published and interesting comparisons can then be made with Cleansing Costs of other Local Authorities.

It will be noted that Disposal Costs show a credit, this is because the Ministry require all salvage income (apart from kitchen waste) to be credited to Disposal. Stalybridge are one of the few Local Authorities submitting returns showing a credit.

COST STATEMENT 1964-1965

<u>Gross Expenditure</u>					<u>Collection</u>	<u>Disposal</u>	<u>Total</u>
					£	£	£
Labour ...	...	...	...	...	11978	910	12888
Transport ...	...	...	...	...	6532	-	6532
Plant, equipment, land and buildings ...	...	...	...	...	1694	1312	3006
Other items ...	...	...	...	...	618	152	770
Total Gross Expenditure ...					20822	2374	23196
Gross Income					312	2692	3004
NET COST					20510	318 Cr.	20192
<u>Unit Costs</u>					s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Gross cost per ton (Labour only)					27. 1.	2. 1.	29. 2.
Gross Cost per ton (Transport only)					14. 9.	-	14. 9.
<u>Net Cost per ton</u>							
(All expenditure less income)					46. 6.	9.Cr.	45. 9.
					£	£	£
Net Cost per 1,000 population					947	15 Cr.	932
Net Cost per 1,000 premises					2378	37 Cr.	2341

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CHESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

STALYBRIDGE AND DUKINFIELD HEALTH DIVISION

REPORT OF THE
DIVISIONAL MEDICAL OFFICER
FOR THE YEAR 1965

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Stamford Street,
Stalybridge.

<u>Divisional Medical Officer</u>	- Thomas Holme, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.
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<u>Assistant County Medical Officer</u>	- J. B. Hinchliffe, M.B., Ch.B.
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<u>Health Visitors</u> (Stalybridge)	- Miss M. E. Mackenzie Mrs. M. P. Potts (resigned Mar.65) Miss S. E. Howarth (resnd. Aug.65) Miss D. H. Garner (app. July, 65)
(Dukinfield)	- Miss W. E. Beresford Miss C. Hellings (died June 65) Mrs. M. Knowles
<u>District Nurses</u> (Stalybridge)	- Mrs. A. R. Porter Mrs. K. Gregson (resigned April 65) Miss E. Ramsden (transf. March 65) Miss M. E. Fitzgerald (app. Jan.65) Mr. J. E. Billings Mrs. B. Scott (appointed April.65)
(Dukinfield)	- Miss E. Ambler Miss O. Morton
<u>Midwives</u> (Stalybridge)	- Miss H. Sowerbutts Mrs. J. Evans Miss N. Robinson (retired Feb.65) Miss B. Lodge (appointed Mar. 65)
(Dukinfield)	- Miss L. Bradley Miss L. O'Hara
<u>Nurses</u> (Dukinfield)	- Mrs. H. Murphy
(Temporary) (Stalybridge)	- Miss F. Lonsdale

<u>Senior Mental Welfare Officer</u>	- G. E. Lanceley
<u>Physiotherapists</u>	- Mrs. W. R. White Mrs. M. Hallard
<u>Domestic Help Supervisor</u>	- Mrs. F. Dobson (resigned Aug.65) Mrs. M. Hampson (appt. August, resn. Oct 65) Mrs. F. M. Partridge (appt. Nov. 65)
<u>Dental Surgeons</u>	- Miss L. Kippen, L.D.S., D.P.D. G. J. Hartley, L.D.S. R. S. Wood, L.D.S.
<u>Specialists</u>	
<u>Ophthalmic Surgeon</u>	- F.W.C. Brown, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H.
<u>Orthopaedic Surgeons</u>	- V.H.Wheble, B.M., Ch.B., F.R.C.S. C.M.Dransfield, F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
<u>Gynaecologist</u>	- W.E.C. Thomas, M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.O.G. (resd. Feb.65)
<u>Tuberculosis Physician</u>	- P. B. Woolley, M.B., M.R.C.P.
<u>Ear, Nose & Throat Surgeon</u>	- O. T. Taylor, M.B., Ch.B.
<u>Consultant Child Psychiatrist</u>	- M.Rogers, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.P.M.
<u>General Practitioners attending Welfare Centre, Dukinfield on a sessional basis</u>	- A. Ketchin, M.B., Ch.B. D. Milner, M.B., Ch.B.

CARE OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

The four Welfare Centres in the Division are situated as follows :-

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|--------------------|--|
| <u>Dukinfield</u> | - King Street, Dukinfield.
Dewsnap Lane, Dukinfield. |
| <u>Stalybridge</u> | - Stamford Street, Stalybridge.
Milton Avenue, Millbrook. |

Sessions are held as follows :-

- | | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|
| King Street | - Wednesday afternoon |
| Dewsnap Lane | - Thursday afternoon |
| Millbrook | - Monday afternoon |
| Stamford St. | - Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons |

Dukinfield, King Street Clinic

The total of new cases attending and the total attendances fell during the year, from 252 to 226 and 3,730 to 3,343. This is, I think, due to the opening of the new clinic in October. The Committee considered the question of heating this clinic as the present system is old, outworn and time consuming to operate. After approving a scheme submitted by the District Architect it was decided to postpone any action for twelve months at the request of the County Health Committee.

The loss of Miss C. Hollings in June was a sad blow to us all. She had been with us since 1955 and was a dedicated worker in the health field. Her conscientious enthusiasm kept her at work when she was far from well and such was her nature that she had to be persuaded to take a rest from which she never returned to duty. At the time of writing I have also to record the death of Miss W. E. Beresford under circumstances rather similar to that of Miss Hollings. She was also on duty when acutely ill and had to be taken home. She had been a health visitor in Dukinfield since 1955 and had done a great deal for the mothers, babies and older people in the town.

As in Stalybridge we were fortunate indeed to get Mrs. Murphy to come and help out on a sessional basis. Without her we should have had a very difficult time and especially now as Mrs. Knowles would have been alone trying to do the work of three.

Dukinfield, Dewsnap Lane Clinic

This building was completed during the year and we began to use it during October. It is a pleasant building and quite adequate for our purposes at the moment. The mothers who live in the area are very appreciative of the services we provide at this end of the town and it is being used more and more. As I pointed out at the time the same staff

are operating the two clinics now instead of one so that we are unable to do extra sessions - but we are using the new building as much as possible without depriving the King Street Clinic of services.

Health Centre, Stalybridge

During 1965, the number of attendances at this Centre increased from 3,154 to 3,521, although the number of new cases fell to 164 from 229. This latter figure is compatible with the lower birth rate in Stalybridge over the same period. During the year we lost the services of both Mrs. Potts and Miss Howarth and they were replaced by Miss Garner who began duties at the end of July. We were thus one health visitor short for almost half the year. We were, however, fortunate in obtaining the services on a sessional basis of Miss Lonsdale who was until recently a Health Visitor at Hyde. We are grateful to her for the help she has given us.

Millbrook Clinic

At this Clinic the number of attendances increased from 1,217 to 1,276 which is very gratifying as there had been a decline in numbers up to two years ago. I still feel that this Clinic is under used and I would like to see an extension of services there provided always that there was available staff.

Voluntary Workers

Once again on behalf of the Committee and the nursing staff I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the work so willingly and cheerfully given at the Dukinfield, Stalybridge and Millbrook Clinics by the voluntary workers during the year.

General

Points of general interest during the year are connected with staff and buildings. Whereas until a few years ago the area was divided among seven health visitors we are now reduced to three with the additional assistance of two nurses whose help is quite invaluable even though they are only able to come and conduct sessions for us.

This shortage of health visiting staff is making it impossible to carry out the County policy of attachment to general practitioners which had started so smoothly with one group practice in Stalybridge early in 1965.

As already mentioned we occupied the new building in Dewsnap Lane, Dukinfield, with satisfactory results and, in addition to the normal clinics there, we have made available room for weekly meetings of the handicapped persons club. The siting of the building has proved to be a sensible one and many mothers have expressed their appreciation of its easy access.

The benefits derived from having all the services under one roof in the Stalybridge building are now very apparent in the more efficient use of staff and speed in dealing with problems involving more than one individual.

We were very sorry to lose the efficient services of Mrs. J. Addy in October. Mrs. Addy was in the main responsible for the immunisation programme and had done an excellent job during the years she was with us. We wish her well in her work with the new Citizens Advice Bureau.

Births

In 1965 there were 611 births notified compared with 645 in 1964, of these 14 were stillbirths. The number of births taking place in hospital or maternity homes remained at 50%. This means a greater strain on the domiciliary midwifery service which is also dealing to a greater degree with early discharges from hospital.

	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>
Total births in the Division - livebirths	597	635
stillbirths	14	10
Total No. transfers into the division	152	114
Total No. of children attending for first time 0-1 year....	482	548
Total No. of attendances..... 0-1 year....	6068	5678
Total No. of attendances..... 1 - 2 yrs...	1277	1222
Total No. of attendances..... 2 - 5 yrs...	1157	901
Total No. of visits to new births.....	610	614
Total No. of secondary visits.....	5799	7289
Total No. of other visits.....	2112	1714

TABLE A.

Child Welfare Clinics

Quarter	March			June			Sept.			Dec.			
Clinic	D/f	M/b	S/b	D/f	M/b	S/b	D/f	M/b	S/b	King St.	Dsnp. Lane	M/b	S/b
New cases	81	21	54	53	19	31	61	18	42	31	23	11	37
Total 0-1 yr.	646	214	730	754	313	515	634	175	620	363	283	180	641
attend- 1-2 yrs	134	51	206	128	38	87	128	29	116	94	38	62	166
ances 2-5 yrs	130	53	107	145	38	69	112	63	95	75	41	60	169

The following table indicates the total births in the Division and the place of confinement :-

TABLE B.

	<u>DUKINFIELD</u>						<u>STALYBRIDGE</u>					
	Live			Still			Live			Still		
	1965	1964	1963	1965	1964	1963	1965	1964	1963	1965	1964	1963
Gen.Hospital	146	145	127	2	3	9	149	168	183	9	6	3
Other Mater- nity homes & hospitals	22	23	27	-	-	1	37	48	60	-	-	2
Domiciliary confinement	121	114	99	1	-	-	122	137	137	2	1	-
Total	289	282	253	3	3	10	308	353	380	11	7	5

Ante-natal and Post-natal clinics

For many years these clinics have been poorly attended and, as it was felt the need was no longer there in view of the facilities offered by the hospital and general practitioners, they were cancelled in January. Mothercraft and relaxation classes are, of course, still held and I would like to see more use being made of them in view of the undoubted benefit they confer to the mothers at the time of delivery.

Ante-natal Clinics

	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>
No. of sessions.....	1	16
No. of new cases.....	1	24
No. of attendances.....	8	102
No. of patients on whom RH. factor was investigated.....	-	17
No. of patients on whom a Wasserman test was performed.....	-	10

Mothercraft and Relaxation Classes

No. of sessions held.....	80	75
No. of new cases.....	138	159
No. of attendances.....	659	826

WELFARE FOODS

It will be interesting to discover whether the opening of the new clinic at Dewsnap Lane will make any marked change in the sales of welfare foods - present indications seem to be that one might expect some increase in sales of all types.

The level of sales of Ministry of Health welfare foods remains much the same as in 1964 - with but a slight increase in the sales of orange juice.

TABLE C.

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
National Dried Milk	8,592	9,546	7,917	7,795	6,411	6,529
Cod Liver Oil	1,636	997	560	439	412	473
Orange Juice	10,424	6,206	3,647	4,320	4,835	5,182
A & D Tablets	1,409	1,075	554	461	409	405

TABLE D.

Quarter	March		June		Sept.		Dec.		Total	
	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964
National)@ 2/4d	1164	1229	1357	1120	1164	1118	1210	1071	4895	4538
dried)@ 4/-d	299	406	343	431	413	423	509	438	1564	1698
milk) free	-	61	10	50	30	49	30	15	70	175
Cod)@ 1/-d	133	104	78	97	104	78	138	124	453	403
Liver) free	7	3	3	-	5	4	5	2	20	9
Oil										
A. & D.)@ 6d	90	102	125	99	98	108	92	99	405	408
Tablets) free	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Orange)@ 1/6d	1259	1015	1392	1206	1268	1358	1236	1212	5155	4791
Juice) free	7	17	-	14	8	13	12	-	27	44

I would like to thank the voluntary workers in Dukinfield who co-operate with us so well and sell welfare foods at the clinic on our behalf.

SPECIALIST CLINICS

It is most essential when running Child Welfare sessions to have the backing of specialist clinics where cases can be referred for consultant opinion and advice and although the numbers referred under 5 years of age appear to be small this is no reflection on the great value of this type of clinic.

<u>Ophthalmic (under 5)</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>
New cases.....	12	5
Total attendances.....	23	29

<u>Ear, Nose and Throat (under 5 years)</u>		
New cases.....	14	12
Total attendances.....	15	22

Physiotherapy (under 5)

During the year some 1,768 attendances were made - a slightly higher figure than in 1964. These clinics, therefore, continue to be well attended and keep Mrs. White and Mrs. Hallard fully engaged.

	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>
Total attendances for interview by Orthopaedic Surgeon.....	191	181
Total attendances at Physiotherapist's Clinic.....	785	406
Total attendances for U.V.R. treatment.....	792	1089

Hearing Clinics

No. of sessions.....	42	30
No. of children examined (0-5 years).....	302	225

In addition to the normal screening clinics, selected cases are referred to a specialist clinic conducted by Dr. Taylor.

Dental treatment

Ante-natal patients	- new cases.....	3	-
	attendances.....	8	2
Post-natal patients	- new cases.....	4	7
	attendances.....	17	21
Children under 5 years	- new cases.....	32	20
	attendances.....	63	37
Dentures supplied.....		2	-

DAY NURSERIES

The cost of the Day Nursery service continues to increase year by year and 1965 was no exception to this rule. As far as Dukinfield Nursery was concerned there was a decrease from 19/8 $\frac{3}{4}$ d a day to 18/4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. There were approximately 12 priority cases out of the total of 35 approved places.

The charges levied are as follows :-

- (i) The standard charge when both parents are working - 10/-d per day
- (ii) Where more than one child of a mother is attending a Day Nursery, the charge for second and subsequent children attending at the same time - 8/-d per day
- (iii) The charge for children of mothers who are single, separated or divorced and living as single - 3/-d per day
- (iv) The charge for children whose father is unemployed, ill or otherwise unable to work - 4/-d per day
- (v) The charge for mentally handicapped children attending at the specific request of the County Medical Officer is the same as that at a Junior Training Centre - 1/-d per day

	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>
Total attendances.....0-2 years.....	2323	2360
2-5 years.....	5244	5061
Average attendance per day.....	31	29
New cases admitted.....	21	20
Waiting list as at 31.12.65.....	32	15
No. of mothers in employment.....	37	36
No. of medical examinations carried out.....	105	65
No. receiving sunlight treatment.....	-	5

TABLE E.

	1959/60	1960/61	1961/62	1962/63	1963/64	1964/65
County average child/day	14/9d	15/6d	16/9 $\frac{3}{4}$ d	17/1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	18/3 $\frac{1}{4}$ d	18/5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d
Dukinfield child/day	15/8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	15/2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	18/- $\frac{1}{4}$ d	18/7 $\frac{3}{4}$ d	19/8 $\frac{3}{4}$ d	18/4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d
% attendance County average	89%	94%	92%	91%	89%	91%
Dukinfield	85%	91%	80%	83%	83%	91%

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

The number of persons vaccinated against smallpox showed a reduction to 256 from 269 in 1964.

TABLE F.

Smallpox Vaccination - 1965

Age at 31.12.65	-1	1	2 - 4	5 - 14	Others under 16 yrs of age	Total
Born in year	1965	1964	1963-61	1960-51		
Vaccinated	2	130	90	28	1	251
Re-vaccinated	-	1	-	4	-	5

The figures for the seventeen complete years since vaccination ceased to be compulsory are as follows :

1949 -	76	1957 -	364
1950 -	223	1958 -	325
1951 -	350	1959 -	346
1952 -	459	1960 -	366
1953 -	611	1961 -	369
1954 -	318	1962 -	3317
1955 -	280	1963 -	150
1956 -	269	1964 -	269
		1965 -	256

The numbers immunised against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus or given a booster injection was roughly the same as in the previous year, but the number immunised against poliomyelitis increased rapidly as a result of the public panic during September. The figures quoted relate only to children under the age of 16 from which it will be seen that 1,760 children received complete protection and 4,258 received a reinforcing dose. In addition the following doses were given to adults at either the clinics or at their place of work :-

1st dose	9,567
2nd dose	7,669
3rd dose	5,410
Reinforcing dose	2,818
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	25,464

In all, during the year, approximately 35,000 doses of oral poliomyelitis vaccine were administered, most of them in the last quarter.

VACCINATION OF PERSONS UNDER AGE 16 COMPLETED DURING 1965

TABLE G. - Completed Primary Courses

Type of vaccine	Year of birth					Others under Age 16	Total	
	1965	1964	1963	1962	1958-61		At clinics	By G.Ps
Diph/Tet/Pert/Polio	24	26	8	3	3	1	-	65
Diph/Tet/Pert.	149	187	20	13	12	5	302	84
Diphtheria/Pert.	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Diphtheria/Tetanus	-	-	-	1	29	-	30	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pertussis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	-
Salk (Polio.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sabin (Polio.)	48	319	142	105	257	889	1244	516

TABLE H. - Reinforcing Doses

Type of vaccine	Year of birth					Others under Age 16	Total	
	1965	1964	1963	1962	1958-61		At clinics	By G.Ps
Diph/Tet/Pert/Polio	-	4	15	4	13	-	-	36
Diph/Tet/Pert.	-	-	-	1	5	1	-	7
Diphtheria/Pert.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria/Tetanus	-	-	-	-	73	4	76	1
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	3	1	4	-
Pertussis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	3
Salk (Polio.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sabin (Polio.)	-	12	22	55	786	3383	1692	2566

AMBULANCE SERVICE

I have no comment to make on the Ambulance Service which has been centrally administered for some time. However, as your Divisional Medical Officer, I have assisted in the making of several appointments and also in one promotion interview.

TABLE I.

Ambulance			Sitting Case Vehicle		
Journeys	Patients	Mileage	Journeys	Patients	Mileage
1886	7867	28,133	659	7313	14,953

Comparative Table of Journeys, etc.

Year	Journeys	Patients	Mileage	Accidents
1949	2959	8238	27052*	414
1950	6502	11140	58221	555
1951	7235	11812	61450	587
1952	7013	12139	63094	592
1953	5640	11377	60864	161
1954	5895	12199	54460	175
1955	5457	13026	61076	136
1956	5624	14310	67754	135
1957	5155	12418	58778	226
1958	5633	12035	58107	189
1959	4419	12323	54018	179
1960	5114	14280	62877	313
1961	5110	14081	59231	267
1962	3230	13847	49060	?
1963	1816	11524	34091	?
1964	2266	15352	45098	?
1965	2545	15180	43086	?

* Stalybridge
figures only.

PREVENTION OF ILLNESS, CARE AND AFTERCARE

One of the most stimulating aspects of public health of recent years has been the declining incidence of Tuberculosis and, although a slight increase is shown on the figures for 1965, the general tendency is for an overall gradual fall in the number of cases notified.

	<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-pulmonary</u>		<u>Total</u>
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
On T.B. Register at 31.12.65.....	102	64	26	17	209
Notified during 1965.....	14	9	1	2	26

Deaths from Tuberculosis

				<u>Pulmonary</u>	<u>Non-pulmonary</u>	<u>Total</u>
0 - 1 year	....	....	....	-	-	-
1 - 5 years	....	....	....	-	-	-
5 - 15 years	....	....	....	-	-	-
15 - 45 years	....	....	....	1	-	1
45 - 65 years	....	....	....	3	-	3
66 and over	....	....	....	1	-	1

Handicapped Persons

Once again I have included a table showing the state of the handicapped persons register at the end of the year. The numbers quoted are not necessarily accurate as a person is not included without his knowledge and these figures are, therefore, below the actual ones. When requested the Committee has always taken a sympathetic view of those in need and apart from general help by the provision of wheel chairs, nursing requisites and domestic help, ten handicapped persons were assisted by providing such improvements as approach to the garage or conversion and aids within the house. In addition you gave financial assistance to seventeen handicapped persons for whom a convalescent holiday had been arranged by the Manchester and Salford Cripples' Help Society. Four car badges were issued to physically handicapped persons - whilst not providing immunity against parking restrictions these badges indicate that the car belongs to and is driven by a physically handicapped person.

We are finding a gradually increasing request for assistance from handicapped persons - the result, I think, of an increasing knowledge of what the Divisional Health Committee can provide rather than an increase in the number of cases. I think there is still a large and important field of work in this connection both from a statutory and voluntary point of view and I would particularly mention the excellent work done by the Cripples' Help Society which holds a weekly class at the Dewsnap Lane Clinic on Tuesday afternoons. Some twenty handicapped persons attend for craft instruction. It is hoped shortly to commence social evenings at the same clinic.

Convalescent Home Treatment

Arrangements are in operation with four Homes, two at St. Ann's-on-Sea, one at Marple and one at Buxton. Eight patients were admitted during the year and contributions towards the cost of seventeen further cases, submitted by voluntary societies, were made.

TABLE J.

Handicapped Persons Register - 31.12.65

Definition	Children under 16		Aged 16 - 64		Aged 65 & over		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Amputation	-	-	4	1	-	-	5
Arthritis and Rheumatism	1	-	4	9	11	36	61
Congenital malformations & deformities	20	10	6	5	1	1	43
Diseases of digestive & genito-urinary systems; heart or circulatory system; respiratory system (other than tuberculosis) and of the skin	9	11	15	13	36	86	170
Injuries of head, face, neck, thorax, abdomen, pelvis or trunk. Injuries or diseases (other than tuberculosis) of upper and lower limbs and spine	-	2	5	6	5	5	23
Organic nervous diseases - epilepsy, disseminated sclerosis, poliomyelitis, hemiplegia, sciatica, etc.	9	5	16	18	3	12	63
Neuroses, psychoses & other nervous & mental disorders not included above	1	-	2	-	5	4	12
Tuberculosis (respiratory)	3	2	1	1	-	-	7
Tuberculosis (non-respiratory)	3	2	-	3	-	1	9
Diseases and injuries not specified above	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Partially sighted	4	2	-	-	17	41	64
Totals	50	34	53	56	78	186	457

Chiropody Service

The chiropody service continues to expand though not quite at the same rate as in previous years. During the year 5,436 treatments were given, many of them domiciliary, to 1,094 patients.

TABLE K.

Place of treatment	Over 65		Handicapped	
	No. of Patients	No. of Treatments	No. of Patients	No. of Treatments
Chiropodist's Surgery	591	2954	1	6
Home of patient	453	2302	29	174

Number of cases in which County Council paid full fees - 1021

Number of cases in which County Council paid part fees - 53

Nursing Requisites

The following items of nursing equipment have been loaned from the Divisional Health Office, Stalybridge :-

3 Zimmer hoists,	17 tripod walking aids,	4 walking sticks,
32 air rings,	4 sets elbow crutches,	26 rubber sheets,
17 urinals,	6 bed cradles,	4 commodes,
34 bed pans,	28 back rests,	20 wheel chairs,
5 bed poles,	4 feeding cups,	5 bath rails,
1 spinal board,	2 bed tables,	2 inhalers,
3 bath seats,	1 pair crutches,	1 bed,
29 Zimmer Walking aids.		

Incontinence pads continue to be the main demand and prove to be a most useful nursing aid. From time to time special articles are requested by medical practitioners and district nurses, such as protective pants with interliners for ambulant patients and urine drainage bags for patients with in-lying catheters.

B.C.G. Vaccination

Vaccination against tuberculosis is pursued as vigorously as in the past and your medical officer is actively engaged with a small research group concerned with improving technique. During the year we achieved what may prove to be a revolutionary step by introducing and reporting on the technique of vaccination by a Jet injector. The results so far are very encouraging and the method employed is not only quicker and safer but also one with least effect on the mind of the apprehensive child.

The acceptance rate this year was 76.18%, still lower than the 80% we achieved in 1964 - I would strongly urge parents to consent to this vaccination particularly when their children reach the senior schools.

The vaccination of contacts, usually babies, continues and 30 children were successfully treated during the year.

TABLE L.

	School children	Contacts
Consents issued	823	32
Consents received	627	32
% Consents	76.18	
Mantoux positive	45	6
No. vaccinated	462	30
No. revaccinated	8	-
Follow-up Mantoux		
No. tested	363	-
No. positive	345	-

TABLE M.

Year	% positive
1954	40
1955	32.05
1956	26.9
1957	29.7
1958	21.1
1959	19.1
1960	19.7
1961	16.4
1962	11.36
1963	7.4
1964	5.94
1965	8.18

Domestic Help Service

The number of staff during the year was 22 whole time and 19 part time domestic helps. All of these were engaged in a temporary capacity. A total of 46,878 hours was worked by domestic helps and income from patients during 1965 was £1,325.1.4d.

	No.of cases where help was provided in 1965	Approx. No. of Hrs.help provided	Average No. of Hrs.per case	No.of cases who received over 25 Hrs. weekly
Persons aged 65 yrs. or over on 1st January, 1965.	292	43,544	183	-
Persons aged under 65 years on 1.1.65				
(i) Chronic sick & T.B.	20	2,593	129	1
(ii) Mentally disordered	2	221	110	-
(iii) Maternity	12	218	18	1
(iv) Others	7	302	43	-
Totals	333	46,878	1,407	2

During the year we lost the services of the supervisor, Mrs. F. Dobson, who had held the post for many years. She was succeeded for a short time by Mrs. M. Hampson who returned to industry and was replaced by Mrs. F. M. Partridge.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

THE REPORT OF THE SENIOR MENTAL WELFARE OFFICER, MR. G. E. LANCELEY,
IN RESPECT OF WORK CARRIED OUT WITHIN THE AREA OF THE STALYBRIDGE
AND DUKINFIELD HEALTH DIVISION DURING THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED
31st DECEMBER, 1965

1. Precis of cases dealt with under the Mental Health Act, 1959		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Patients admitted to Hospital informally for Psychiatric treatment under Section 5.	....	13	31
Cases dealt with under Section 25, i.e. admitted to Hospital for a period of 28 days for observation	....	7	16
Cases dealt with under Section 26, i.e. admitted to hospital for extended treatment	....	1	-

In addition to the above, the following cases were also dealt with by the Mental Welfare Officer under the Mental Health and allied Acts.

22 male and 49 female patients were treated at Out-patient Clinics during the year, thus obviating the necessity for their admittance to hospital.

In the case of 16 male and 15 female patients, information was laid to the Mental Welfare Officer, but after investigation of the circumstances, no further action was taken under the Mental Health Act.

The Mental Welfare Officer visited 300 cases in their homes with the Consultant Psychiatrist, within the district with a view to deciding the best form of treatment to be afforded to the patient.

4 male and 7 female patients were referred to the County Welfare Department, for admission to residential accommodation.

4 male and 3 female patients were admitted into Ashton General Hospital on a day basis.

1 male and 3 female subnormal patients were admitted into hospital for periods of short term care, to relieve the parents of the responsibility for a short while.

2 female subnormal patients have been admitted into permanent care.

3 male and 4 female patients were referred to other Agencies not enumerated above - i.e. Ministry of Labour, etc.

1 male subnormal patient was admitted into hospital on a Probation Order.

After-care of patients discharged from hospital within the district has been carried out throughout the year and 948 visits have been made for the whole of the district.

Domiciliary supervision of subnormal and severely subnormal patients has been carried out within the district.

88 patients have been conveyed to Out-patient Clinics for consultation with the Consultant Psychiatrist, or to receive treatment throughout the year, when necessary.

The Youth Club for subnormals still continues to meet on Wednesday evening of each week, at the Grange Road Training Centre.



